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EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS

English Policy as Seen in Parliament.

Miscellaneous Business in the House of Lords.

Meeting of the National Society for Women's Suffrage.

Hopes and Predictions of Confederate Bondholders.

The steamship *Hermann*, which left Bremen July 17 and Southampton July 20, reached this port yesterday. Her advices are later by two days than those at hand by the *China*. The Clarington-Murray affair assumed a new phase on Saturday, July 17, at the Marlborough-street Police Court, in connection with a summons applied for against Mr. GRENVILLE MURRAY, at the instance of Lord CLARINGTON, in respect of a charge of perjury, which it is sought to found on the evidence given by Mr. MURRAY upon the charge of assault preferred by him against Lord CLARINGTON, and which was heard on the 7th instant before Mr. D'EYNCOURT. The Magistrate who presided on Saturday was Mr. KNOX. Mr. GIFFARD, Q. C., and Hon. A. TRESIGNE again appeared as counsel for Lord CLARINGTON, instructed by Messrs. FRESHFIELD, Lord CLARINGTON's solicitors; Mr. GILL again appearing as counsel for Mr. GRENVILLE MURRAY, instructed by Messrs. HATHEWAY and ANDREWS. No decision was reached.

A Berlin correspondent of the *Madgeburger Zeitung* says that the leave of absence from the Presidency of the Ministry of State granted to Count BISMARK on the 20th ult. by His Majesty the King, is by no means a complete one. He asserts that in all important questions it is still considered necessary to consult the Minister, and that a continual correspondence is kept up between the Cabinet of the King and the absent President, who has resigned no part of his influence, but merely requested to be freed for a time from the formalities of office. The North German correspondent is authorized to state that these assertions are entirely without foundation.

The letter addressed by the Emperor to the late Minister of State, and delivered to him by M. SCHNEIDER the night before the decree for proroguing the Chamber appeared in the official journal, reads thus: My dear M. ROUHER—Here are the decrees you will have to get published. M. SCHNEIDER has given me such good reasons for proroguing the Legislative Body for an indefinite period, that I have acquiesced. (Here follow the decrees.) Believe, my dear M. ROUHER, in my sincere regret to see you quit me, and in my long-standing friendship.

NAPOLEON.

There seems to be now no doubt respecting the murder of Mr. and Mrs. POWELL in Abyssinia. Mr. WALTER POWELL, M.P., has just returned from Alexandria, with intelligence which is believed to be substantially authentic, that Mr. POWELL and his party were attacked and massacred by the Tekah tribe, and not by the Besan tribe, as first reported. The Bezans afterwards came upon the murderers, compelled them not only to relinquish the booty, but to deliver up the bodies; and conveyed the bodies to the Swedish missionaries, by whom they were buried. No doubt is entertained of the correctness of this statement, and it is to be hoped that Mr. HENRY POWELL and Mr. JENKINS, who have been provided with a military escort by the Viceroy of Egypt, will succeed in bringing home the remains of their unfortunate relatives.

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Weather—Mr. Gladstone and the Lords—Progress of the Church Bill—The Country—Parliamentary Business—The Orange Anniversaries—The Death of Lord Taunton.

From Our Own Correspondent.

GREAT MALVERN, Saturday, July 17, 1869.

The thermometer has suddenly gone up 20°; we have had a week of dry hot weather; not a drop of rain at St. Swithen's; London is dusty, cholerais, and not nice smelling; so I have betaken myself "to the hills, to the hills, away." Even here, some hundreds of feet above tide level, on a steep incline that mounts a thousand more, in the Rose Garden of England, now filled with the perfume of glorious white lilies, the glass in my room stands at 68° at 8 A. M., and bids fair to get near the nineties—but the air is deliciously fresh and invigorating—different from the London article entirely—electric, ozonic, hygienic. London air needs to be filtered in the Strand, electerized at the Polytechnic, cooled with a few blocks of Wenham ice, and slightly perfumed by RIMMELL, to be fit for breathing. But to get the genuine, unadulterated article you must go to the hills or the sea. At both the air is good, salted or fresh; just now I prefer it fresh. So does "our CHARLOTTE." I wonder if that majestic, and somewhat more than queenly personage, as queens go, Miss CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN, would ever forgive me for reviving that once familiar American phrase—"our CHARLOTTE?" She looks as grand here on the hills, and among these lovely gardens, tall, majestic, proud and strong, not old-seeming in the least; imperious as *Lady Macbeth*, wearing her own gray hair like a crown. And the sight of her carries me back to the dear—perhaps I should rather say cheap—old days, when board in New-York was three dollars a week; when our promenades on Broadway were below Canal-street; when we ate ice creams at CONFOIT's and the Atlantic Gardens; when we assembled every evening on the Battery to hear the Ratcliffs; when our favorite excursion was to the Elysian Fields of Hoboken; when Niblo's Garden was out of town, and when our CHARLOTTE played at the Park Theatre, or in Leonard-street, or the Bowery, at $14 a week salary, better than she has ever played since. And now, after all these years, she is a social Queen at Rome, and comes to taste fresh English air and drink pure water from the Holy Wells of Malvern—absorb it from wet streets, perhaps, or grow strong under the heavy down pour of its invigorating douches.

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE LORDS.

But, though I am writing amid all the luxuriant beauty of the finest section of England, I must write of the scenes of surpassing interest which centre in the metropolis. Mr. GLADSTONE, in his most stately and imperious manner, has defied and defeated the Lords, whose amendments to the Church bill were rejected by the Commons by 124 majority. Mr. GLADSTONE was eloquent, impassioned, and was cheered with enthusiasm. Since the Cave is represented in the Cabinet by Mr. LOWE, and the Independent territory below the gangway by Mr. BRIGHT, never was a party so united. Military drill could hardly do more for the Liberals. They march into the lobby at the word of command and vote like firing by platoons. Mr. GLADSTONE is a man set under authority like the good Centurion. And the Tories can do nothing but protest and complain. According to the *Standard*, the Premier "has requited courtesy with insolence, forbearance with exaction, concession with overbearing obstinacy, compromise with obstinacy, and conciliation with bluster." What would you give for a fellow who can write out the entire dictionary in that style on any given subject and on any side! "The Lords," this writer tells us, "stand before the country in an attitude of forbearing but dignified resistance to aggression; the Commons in that of blustering and bullying insolence," all owing to Mr. GLADSTONE's "intolerant vanity and imperious arrogance."

It is true that Mr. GLADSTONE did not treat the Lords with much deference. He said they legislated like people up in a balloon, who looked down upon human affairs from such an eminence that they could not know much more about them than the man in the moon. His followers were frantically eager to reject the amendments. The *Saturday Review*, for a wonder, pays a compliment to the Conservative leader. It says:

"It needed all Mr. DISRAELI's tact and imperturbable temper to preserve something like order in the Opposition under such a severe trial, and great credit is due to him for the solicitude with which he avoided giving occasion for offence, and the discretion with which he avoided useless divisions, and helped the business of the evening to go on."

Well, the amendments have been rejected. Concurrent endowment, the Commons, however inclined, dare not agree to. They are afraid of the Presbyterians, the Wesleyans, the whole dissenting and No-Popery interest in England and Scotland, which is eager to disestablish and disendow a Church tending more and more Romeward, and very determined not to give a penny to the Papists.

But this is not the feeling of the educated classes. They see all the sham of pretending to go for religious equality, and yet refusing to give five-sixths of the people of Ireland the chance to use their own money. Of course, if Ireland had herself any voice in the expenditure of her revenues, the Church of the vast majority might be at least as well cared for as the Churches of the small minorities. Bishops, Peers of all parties, voted in the Lords for something like a fair distribution. I have no doubt that three-fourths of the members of the House of Commons would be glad to do the same; but if they should, and if there should be a dissolution, how could they face their Murphyite constituents? They would be denounced in every conventicle, berated in every little Bethel, Bethesda and Ebenezer, and be defeated by the rate-paying constituencies.

The Irish Protestants of the upper classes are in favor of concurrent endowment. Here is the case of one of them stated in a letter to the *Times*:

SIR: As I am an unfortunate Irish Peer without a vote, allow me to state through your columns that I entirely concur in the amendments of the Duke of CLEVELAND and Lord STANHOPE. As I have about 32,000 Roman Catholics living on my property and only about half a dozen Protestants, and have had occasion to give land for Roman Catholic religious buildings, I am, perhaps, not unqualified to hold an opinion on this subject. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

DILLON.

Lord DILLON is a representative man, though he has no vote in the Lords. His wealth and position may be judged from the fact of his having 32,000 tenants on his estates. There are men who have ten times the number, but that number, well bestowed, will answer. But think of 32,000 Catholics to half a dozen Protestants, and all the property and revenues dedicated to religion given to the half-dozen minority. It is too flagrant a thing altogether. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Duke of CLEVELAND, and a majority of the Lords thinking the "idolatry and superstitions of Popery" better than no religion, and good enough, perhaps, for the Irish—the best they will consent to have at all events—wish to devote to it a part of the Irish Church property, enough, at least, to endow Maynooth and provide every priest with a comfortable house and ten or twenty acres of land. But Mr. GLADSTONE holds himself and the Liberal Party pledged against any such division of the spoils. The Catholics do not press it. They have always refused it, because they do not wish to be accused of any selfish or mercenary motives, not to be under any very strong obligations to a Government that has never done anything but persecute, oppress and plunder them, as long as they could do so with impunity.

The Bill goes back to the Lords on Tuesday, to be passed as restored by the Commons, or defeated. If defeated, Parliament will be prorogued—there will be an Autumn session, the bill will be sent up again, perhaps with new Peers enough to pass it. But I will not weary you with predictions which the telegraph may have rendered stale, flat and unprofitable. The Lords are men of sense—they will not throw ashes in the face of the tempest. The people are so in the humor of disestablishment that there is no knowing how far they may carry it. It would not surprise me if some preternaturally progressive Englishman should arise within the present century, or the next, and ask why Bishops should be members of Parliament while clergymen cannot be; or why a born idiot should have power to defeat a measure which the wisest men elected by the people have adopted.

Great meetings have been held in the metropolis and many of the large towns to encourage the Liberal majority to resist the Lords' amendments—to hold up the hands of the Liberal leaders in their fight with the Philistines. I do not think they were needed for Mr. GLADSTONE or Mr. BRIGHT. The latter would be glad to give the Catholics a fair share of the Church moneys, and would like still better to use the whole surplus to buy land and sell it to the people. But the Liberation Society has been active in assaying Parliament that nothing will be satisfactory but general disestablishment and universal disendowment—the voluntary system—every man to paddle his own canoe, and every tub to stand square on its own bottom.

THE COUNTRY.

While London is in this stew of hot weather and warm politics—Church and Lords both in danger—the country is full of excursions, *fêtes*, flower shows, all sorts of holidays. The volunteers go into camps for practice, and have their drill-grounds fringed with all the nicest calico in the country round. The Odd Fellows put on their regalia, polish up their gorgeous pinnacekery, link their little fingers together, and march behind the loudest of brass bands through the villages, then gather in a clean meadow under broad spreading trees, dance, drink mild ale and soda-water, and have foot races, hurdle races, velocipede races. The Foresters, who come from a lower social stratum, add to these donkey races, in which the last long-eared conservative at the post wins the prize; races in sacks, where he that hurries tumbles, and slow-and-easy wins the day; three-legged races, in which they run in couples like married people and other partners, with the two inside legs tied together; so that they must move together or go sprawling, and the romantic old English game of kiss in the ring, very pretty indeed for people above or below the region of jealousy. But it takes muscle to do all these things, and the way English girls can dance three or four hours on the turf of a new-mown hay-field, gives one an immense idea of their capabilities. How heartily they enjoy it all! A poor girl, half killed with her daily toil, gets a few hours out in the evening, dances industriously on the greensward in the pure air, and wakes up next morning fresh and rosy. If Dr. GULLY would add daily dancing on his lovely lawn, and a plenty of kiss in the ring, with good music to wind up with, to his lamp baths and douches, his patients would have shorter bills and better appetites.

PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS.

Very little business has been done or is likely to be done in Parliament, besides that of the Irish Establishment, which absorbs the time of the session. The Marquis of TOWNSHEND brought in twenty bills, all of a moral and philanthropic character, against whipping children, throwing orange peel on the sidewalks, grinding discordant hurdy-gurdies, &c.; but they were ruthlessly opposed by Earl GRANVILLE and withdrawn. The Earl, who is the Liberal leader in the Lords, is perhaps the politest and mildest-mannered man in Great Britain; but he has had the gout so badly all the session as to be obliged to camp in at times on crutches; and I cannot help thinking that the Marquis of TOWNSHEND's benevolent little shortcoms have fared the worse for it. But the Liberal leader never forgot his manners, and all eye-witnesses assure me that when a near-sighted secretary blundered over the gouty foot, and turned to stammer out his apologies, the tortured Minister, like VAN AMBURGH with his head just out of the lion's mouth, greeted him with a smile, while tears of agony were running down his cheeks. Yesterday the Earl of CARNARVON reported some recommendations of a committee for improving the acoustic properties of the chamber, so as to enable the reporters to hear their Lordships' speeches. Earl GRANVILLE's remarks on the subject strike me as a trifle gouty. He said he was

"Very sceptical with respect to the bad acoustic properties of the House, and he felt that he was an authority, for he had sat in it twenty-three years, and he was astonished at the accuracy with which he was usually reported. In the next place, he was rather deaf, yet he could hear very well in it; and thirdly, he was very much in the habit of mumbling, so much so, that he had been offener stared to be uninteligible than any one of their Lordships. He believed the fault rested rather with their Lordships themselves than their chambers; if they would speak out and say something worth listening to they would be heard very well. He hoped the noble Earl would leave the matter in the hands of the Government."

And the Earl of CARNARVON, who is amiability itself without any intermixture of gout, kindly withdrew his resolutions.

The efforts of some gallant gentlemen to get the Government to remove the grating from the ladies' gallery in the House of Commons have met with no better success. Mr. LAYARD took pains to canvass two hundred ladies on the subject, and found only two in favor of the removal, though all of them would be grateful for a little more space and air, for the abominable dog-hole now has neither, and the highest ladies in the land have to sit on the stone steps outside, waiting for the doors to be opened, and then be suffocated listening to the debates. On the other hand Mr. GRANTLEY BERKELEY has had a piece of plate presented him by two hundred ladies for trying to get the grating removed. He says the supporters of the grating were chiefly married men, and as to ulterior views, he had only one.

"And that arose on a question of morality, inasmuch as a well-known young Irishman of that day, who had a handsome wife, on his maiden speech, rushed up to the dark lantern, under the expectation of finding the form he loved; but, features and outline being undistinguishable, he clasped to his heart the considerable form of her Grace of ——, much to the Duchess' disgust—at least so she said."

This refers to the, if possible, worse place, a sort of ventilator in the garret of the old St. Stephens, through which the ladies of the period looked down upon while they inhaled the mingled breaths of their adorers. See fashionable novels of twenty years ago—passim.

ORANGE ANNIVERSARIES.

The Orange anniversaries in Ireland were celebrated with an entire disregard of law as to party processions, tunes and emblems, and with a considerable amount of rioting, but of a milder type than was anticipated. Not more than five or six persons were killed in the last representation of the Battle of the Boyne, but I doubt if there is a whole pane of glass in any Catholic school in Belfast, and the glaziers are enthusiastic.

OBITUARY.

Lord TAUNTON, better known in America, probably, as Mr. LABOUCHERE, died very suddenly a few days ago. On Tuesday of last week he made a very impressive speech in the Lords on the Church bill, and spoke again more briefly on Friday. His speech called out the earnest thanks of the Earl of DUNRAVEN, for he testified to the admirable conduct of the Catholic clergy of Ireland at the period of the famine and on other important occasions. He was Chief Secretary for Ireland in 1846-7, and had many opportunities of knowing the country intimately. He traveled in America with Lord DERBY and the present Speaker of the House of Commons. Representing the borough of Taunton for thirty years, he held important positions connected with trade and the Colonies. On being raised to the Peerage he took the name of his borough for his title; but there is a great awkwardness in these changes of name. A man distinguishes himself in politics, literature, &c., and is known over the world. Suddenly his name disappears from the newspapers, and he is never heard of more. He has not died, or we should have an obituary; he has been raised to the Peerage, and thereby sunk in the waters of oblivion. Lethe closes over him. He is henceforth Lord somebody; but who he is you never know without an awkward and troublesome explanation. Extremes meet. A man disgraces himself, changes his name, and is lost sight of. A man distinguishes himself, and undergoes the same process at the hands of his Sovereign. The same thing, nearly, happens in regular course. The eldest son of an Earl does not bear his father's name, or the one to which he will succeed. Earl DERBY's heir is Lord STANLEY. The future Earl RUSSELL is now distinguishing himself as Lord AMBERLEY; the future Earl of DUNRAVEN is, I trust, enjoying the American hospitalities to which I took the liberty of commending him, as Lord ADARE. It may be all very well for people who spend their days and nights over BURKE and DEBRETT; but it bothers the rest of us.

MONADNACK.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

Meeting of the London National Society for Women's Suffrage—Speeches of Mr. J. S. Mill, Professor Fawcett, M. P., Lord Houghton, Sir Charles Wentworth Dilke, M. P., and Others.

On the afternoon of Saturday, July 17, the London National Society for Women's Suffrage met in Conduit-street, Bond-street. There was a very numerous attendance of ladies and gentlemen. Among those present were Mrs. P. A. TAYLOR (who presided,) Mrs. FAWCETT (wife of the honorable member for Brighton,) Mr. J. S. Mill, Lord Houghton, Right Hon. Jas. Stansfeld, M. P.; Sir C. W. Dilke, M. P.; Mr. M'Laren, M. P.; Mr. P. A. Taylor, M. P.; Professor Fawcett, M. P.; Rev. Charles and Mrs. Kingsley; Mr. John Morley, Professor Masson, Mr. Boyd Kinnear, Mr. Thomas Hare, Sir W. Lawson, M. P.; Mr. Price, M. P.; Sir D. Wedderburn, M. P.; Mr. Winterbotham, M. P.; Mr. Jos. Haywood, Hon. Auberon Herbert, M. Arles-Dufour, M. Louis Blanc, Baron Karl Blind, Mrs. S. Lucas, Miss Helen Taylor, Mrs. M. D. Conway, Mr. Sheldon Amos, Mr. F. W. Chesson, Mr. G. J. Holyoake, Mr. Frank Hill and Mr. C. E. Hopwood.

Upon the motion of JOHN STUART MILL, Esq., the chair was taken by Mrs. PETER TAYLOR. Letters apologizing for their unavoidable absence and expressing approbation of the objects of the Association, were read from the Solicitor-General, (Sir J. D. Coleridge,) Mr. F. G. C. Leslie, and Professor Newman.

THE REPORTS.

The Secretary (Miss CAROLINE BIGGS) then read a brief report, from which it appeared that during the present year 226 petitions had been presented to Parliament on this subject, containing 41,402 signatures, and that 18,500 pamphlets had been distributed, written by Mr. MILL, Miss COBBE, Mme. BODICHON, Professor NEWMAN and others. Mr. THOMAS HARE moved, and Mr. BOYD KINNEAR seconded, the adoption of the report.

SPEECH OF MR. MILL.

Mr. JOHN STUART MILL, who was received with loud and continued applause, congratulated the Society upon the success of this their first effort in political organization. The admission of women to the franchise, which not long since was a mere protest on behalf of abstract right, had now grown into a definite political aim, seriously pursued by many thousands of active adherents. He had always held the opinion that women had the same right to the suffrage as men, and it had been his good-fortune to know many ladies very much better fitted to exercise it than the majority of the men of his acquaintance. Nevertheless, he confessed that he was not prepared for the large amount of sympathy and support which this movement had received. That success would be unaccountable were it not for some important allies that had been at work in their behalf. The first of these was the sense of natural justice. They were fighting against disabilities and disqualifications, and claiming equal chances and opportunities for both halves of mankind. Another auxiliary at work for them was the progress of the age. AD the tendencies that characterized modern improvement were on their side; the growing ascendency of moral over physical force, of social influences over brute strength, of the idea of right over the law of might; the yearning for equal spirit, that which seeks to raise the weak and the oppressed; the democratic spirit, the disposition to extend political rights, and to deem any class insufficiently protected unless it had a voice in choosing those by whom the laws are made; the free-trade spirit, the force of the new conception of human improvement and happiness, the habit of estimating human beings by their intrinsic worth, by what they are and what they do, and not by what they are born to—all these were powerful aids in the works they were undertaking. Every improvement that characterized the present age would be found tending in the same direction. Not one of them would be thoroughly realized and perfected unless women with all their moral and intellectual capabilities properly developed, were associated in the work; and the pedantic nonsense talked about the proper sphere of women was apparently so ludicrously ridiculous when pleaded as an excuse for excluding them from the minor matter of politics when their assistance could be dispensed with in the most arduous. Look, for instance, at education, the one great cry of the day. Were they going to educate a nation without the aid of women? Women were the acknowledged best teachers of young children, and numbers of them were eager, both professionally and as volunteers, to put their hand to the work, the only hindrance to their being equally capable instructors to more advanced pupils was that they could not teach what they had not been allowed to learn. In the Northern States of America a large majority of the teachers were women. Was it likely, then, that when women found themselves side by side with the men of the present, teaching and instructing the men of the future, they would believe in the right of their pupils to political supremacy over them? Would they feel themselves less worthy of a vote than the men who had been taught by them how to use their vote? He would like to see the face of the man so taught who would stand up and refuse it to them. Turning to the management of the poor, he ventured to predict that the great national question would never be successfully treated till women took their proper, and, perhaps, the principal share in its management, both in the workhouses and hospitals for the poor. Those who best knew how to manage a household would be the best calculated to manage a workhouse; and so with regard to all that concerned the details of public expenditure, what superintendence would be equal to that of an experienced mother of a family? If we could but meet the demand of the age for a Government at once cheap and efficient, the most vigilant and capable agents for making the money go as far as possible would generally be found among women. The nursing of the sick was a privilege which had seldom been denied to women. The nursing of the sick in most public establishments was necessarily mainly carried on by women, and it was now understood that they ought to be educated women. No ignorant person could be a good nurse. The prevention and cure of disease was likely to become a branch of public administration as powerful as the medical staff of the unions was wretchedly underpaid, and nothing like so numerous as it ought to be; and how was it to be made efficient if the door were persistently shut upon those women, who claimed medical education to fit them for such duties? Until the medical profession was opened to women there would never be a sufficient supply of educated medical practitioners for any but the rich. Society was feeling every day more and more that the services of women were wanted for other uses than to "amuse fools and tickle small beer." Many were now saying that women should be better educated, in order that they might be able to educate men; and, truly, if they were to educate men, the education of a well-educated man could hardly be denied to them. But these very moderate reformers fell into the mistake into which women that was made about the working classes—people were willing to educate them, but expected them, after being educated, to content themselves with the same treatment which they had met with before. That could not be. Those who were fit to train men for life, which would think themselves fit to share in that work. The higher education of women, and their political emancipation, were sure to go forward together. They might safely affirm, then, that their cause was powerfully backed, since it had for its allies the great forces which were everywhere at work striving to improve the world. Their success would greatly strengthen all those forces, and they, by their increasing strength, would help on that success; whoever helped forward one beneficent object would prove in the end to have promoted many more. Their business was to go on as a society, doing that which they had hitherto done, striving for the suffrage and for the suffrage only, gain that, and whatever was desirable for women would ultimately follow; but until that was gained, nothing was obtained that might not be resumed at the caprice of, one ruler. The great practical distinction between those who could protect themselves and those were at the mercy of others was the political franchise. Even in America it was found that to abolish slavery was not enough; the negroes could not be really free until they had the franchise. Representative assemblies, in the election of which they had no voice, inflicted or permitted treatment which would have reduced them to a condition almost worse than their previous state. The extension of the suffrage, so long as women were excluded from it, was a positive injury to them. The suffrage was the turning point in women's cause—that alone would insure them an equal hearing and fair play. With it they could not be denied any just right, or excluded from any fair advantage. All, therefore, should aid this enterprise in the best means of accelerating the particular improvement in which they felt a special interest. He concluded by moving, "That this Society declares its strong conviction that it is in the highest degree unjust and impolitic to make sex the ground of exclusion from the exercise of political rights."

REMARKS OF PROFESSOR FAWCETT.

Professor FAWCETT, M. P., supported the resolution. He was disposed to think that the view taken by Mrs. TAYLOR as to the time when their purpose would be achieved was of too gloomy a character. The principles laid down in the resolution were so self-evidently true, and the movement in its favor so conclusive, that he ventured to think they should not have to wait at any rate a longer time than the closing years of that had been alluded to before that victory was won. Nothing was more extraordinary than the growth of public opinion upon certain questions, and that which at one time seemed hopeless soon became a reality. This was particularly the case with regard to education. He could remember the time when it was almost considered an extravagance to advocate compulsory education. Now the idea was received with popular favor, and he believed it would be so with regard to women's franchise. For years this subject was looked upon only as a dream of philosophers, and they must remember that there were some who would have thought it was far more contemptuous to call a man a philosopher than to denounce him as an ignoramus. When this subject was first introduced into Parliament by Mr. MILL it was treated with derision; but it was no exaggeration to say that, in one night it passed forever out of the region of ridicule, and no man in the House of Commons would now think of so treating it. When Mr. JACOB BRIGHT, in a most able and temperate speech, proposed to admit women to vote at municipal elections, not a single word of ridicule was heard, and the whole thing was settled in a quarter of an hour. He therefore thought that in five years at least they might be able to congratulate themselves upon seeing the injustice of placing women under political disability destroyed forever. They could not but feel the loss in Parliament of one who was their natural leader on this question, but in his absence from the House it was absolutely impossible for the matter to be in better hands than those of Mr. JACOB BRIGHT. He (Mr. FAWCETT) for one should not be satisfied until women were placed in what he considered to be their proper position, when they should enjoy equal rights, and have the same use of the educational endowments of the country as man had, and the same opportunity of turning their faculties with which they were endowed to the best possible advantage. The resolution was then put and carried.

REMARKS OF LORD HOUGHTON.

Lord HOUGHTON, in seconding the resolution, referred to a passage in Mr. MILL's work, to the effect that laws would never be improved unless there were numerous persons whose moral sentiments were better than the existing laws; and it might be safely assumed that there were numerous persons both here and elsewhere who thought the law with regard to the women of this country extremely impolitic and unjust. His own education upon this subject had been much guided by his experience in an early portion of his life in Eastern countries, and also by a portion of his study. Notwithstanding the disadvantage which attended female life in the East there were many instances where women had shown a remarkable capacity for government, and had become eminent in the state. There was one portion of political equality which had already fallen to their share, and it was worthy of record that the political equality of the scaffold. During the French Revolution he was not aware of any instance in which women had claimed exemption on account of their sex. They went to the scaffold with the same sense of responsibility as others. It was conceded that a large amount of power existed on the part of women, unaccompanied by a sense of political responsibility. He was inclined to wish that power should always be connected with responsibility—a woman should feel herself a citizen as much as a man. There was no reason why her affections and passions should be more likely to guide her wrong than those of men, and he believed if women were educated in this feeling the political influence they would exercise would be more beneficial than the power they exercised now. With regard to the effect which it would have upon their homes, their daily lives, and all those matters, a great amount of rubbish has been talked. As if the various professions in life, women should have a fair chance, and that was all that was asked for them. There were difficulties enough in their way, as was seen by the impediment which they met with even in procuring employment in the trade of watchmaking, in which Swiss women were so skillful, and in their procuring employment as compositors in printing offices, notwithstanding the efforts of Miss FAITHFULL; but though they might have to struggle hard, no doubt their energy would enable them to overcome those difficulties, and what would aid them most would be the sense that they did not labor under any social or political disqualification.

REMARKS OF MR. JOHN MORLEY.

Mr. JOHN MORLEY supported the resolution. Their present subject was rather complex, and he was convinced, although he acknowledged himself a convert by the discussions and discussions of Mr. MILL at the time of his being an undergraduate at Oxford. Experience had strengthened his views on this subject. The bill which they might introduce into Parliament should be simply permissive in its character. There were a body of men for whom, personally, he had the highest respect, who could not understand how those who were working for a social regeneration should think of inviting women to take any part in public action. He alluded to the Positivists; but even to them they might appeal irresistibly, upon their own principles, to support the bill, if they set aside all questions of the final cause, and accepted it as an experiment. It had been well said that every social truth and every public reform had to pass through three stages; first the stage of neglect, secondly of the epigram, thirdly the guillotine, and finally, universal acceptance. As to the third stage, the temper of the times had removed the possibility of that, although, as the blood of the martyrs was said to be the seed of the church, it was a questionable whether that was a subject for congratulation. The first stage, that of neglect, had certainly been passed, but the stage of ridicule had not, in his opinion, entirely ceased; and even from this they might derive encouragement, for it showed that the time had come when an endeavor should be made to bring men to a more serious frame of mind. The project was no longer an idea, but came before the public in a practical form, and in a manner that must secure for it ultimate success. The resolution was then put and carried. Other remarks by Sir C. W. DILKE, Mr. P. A. TAYLOR, M. P., and Mr. STANSFELD, M. P., followed, the meeting afterward being adjourned.

THE ALABAMA.

Freshest Opinions of Professor Goldwin Smith.

To the Editor of the London Daily News:

SIR: The extreme positions of Mr. SUMNER's speech may now be said to have been repudiated by public opinion in America; the intention of coercing us by the threat of war has been disclaimed; and the attitude assumed toward England by General GRANT's Government is amicable and courteous.

If the British Government now saw fit, without further discussion, to take a frank and generous step in advance, the motive of the act would be misunderstood, and not the honor of England suffer any disparagement.

I am aware that the case of the *Alabama* is a case for arbitration, and that an arbitrator representing the general rights and interests of nations should be slow to hold a neutral Power responsible for a mere failure to prevent a violation of its territory, there being no evidence of complicity or connivance. But if policy suggests, there is nothing to forbid a relinquishment of our strict legal rights, though no policy can warrant an abandonment of honor. And the voice of free men tells us that the *Alabama* ought not to have escaped.

A spontaneous offer of compensation for the mischief done by the *Alabama* made at this moment would, as I believe, satisfy the great majority of the American people, and close morally, as well as legally, a controversy which is full of evil—not sentimental only, but commercial—at present, and which is fraught with danger for the future. I am, &c., GOLDWIN SMITH.

ITHACA, July 3.

THE CONFEDERATE COTTON LOAN.

Hopes of an English Bondholder.

To the Editor of the London Morning Post:

SIR: It has been asserted that these bonds would act as a set-off against the *Alabama* claims, and this may be their ultimate fate; but, as a holder, I am by no means disposed to admit that our claims, which are founded—first, on the American Government having seized the cotton which was hypothecated for their payment; second, on the grievance the bondholders have sustained, on the Government of the United States, or rather the Congress, having forcibly interfered to compel the Southern States to repudiate their obligations to the bondholders. On both or either of these causes the United States Government are bound, according to the law of nations, to pay these bonds.

I think, therefore, it will be admitted that although we may be willing to take or bury all differences between the United States and England in oblivion, be not off against the damages done by the *Alabama*, they stand, on international and equitable grounds, on a far higher footing. So far, therefore, as settling all differences arising out of the late war is concerned, I should be glad to see the matter adjusted; but I protest against our equitable and legal claims depending in any way on the settlement of the *Alabama* claims, which, in an international point of view, can only be paid as an act of grace.

The holders of Confederate cotton bonds—I speak of those issued by Messrs. SCHRODER & Co., the only foreign loan the Confederate States contracted—have only to exercise a little more patience and their claims will be paid by the Southern States themselves. The dishonest tyranny which compelled them to repudiate the debt, which they held more sacred than any other as a point of honor to pay, cannot last much longer. The South are beginning to breathe again, and they will obtain plenty of Chinese labor to replace that of the negroes; and as prosperity advances, and the capital is required for them to cultivate their estates, the first thing they will do is to turn their eyes toward England for its supply; and the first thing that will naturally suggest itself is the payment of this paltry loan.

What would be three or four millions sterling divided among the Southern States? Besides this, the South will have something to say as well as the West when the great question—the real question which caused the late war, viz., free trade—comes on for discussion.

The holders of cotton bonds have only to lock their bonds up in their boxes and calmly await events. The Committee of Cotton Bondholders, having placed their case before the Government not only of Mr. DISRAELI, but of Mr. GLADSTONE, and both Governments having agreed that it should be referred to any commission that may be set on foot, they have only to exercise a little more patience.

It neither suits the commercial nor political relations of the two countries to have the large claims that are admitted to exist on both sides for damages arising out of the incidents in the war to be kept open—nor will they be kept open—especially during such agitation as is about to commence in the United States relative to free trade.

Thank God, this free-trade agitation will commence free from the question of slavery; it will not be again stifled by enlisting sympathy with the North, because they alleged they were fighting the battle of Freedom against Slavery. All America, with the exception of the New-England States, will be in favor of free trade; and out of this agitation something favorable may arise for

JULY 19. A COTTON BONDHOLDER.

INTERNATIONAL AQUATICS.

Movements of the Oxford Crew.

From the London Times, July 20.

It has been arranged that this interesting match shall be rowed over the well-known Oxford and Cambridge course on Saturday, the 31st inst. After a week's preliminary trials, five Oxonians and a coxswain, from whom the competitors against the Americans will be finally chosen, have got into regular training. Rev. Dr. HORNBY, Head Master of Eton, has placed his fishing-ville—well known to all old Etonians as Black Pots—at their disposal. The ville is situated on the Bucks shore of the Thames, and contiguous to the fencing course, which is in that part of the river that runs through the upper portion of the Windsor Home Park, between the Victoria Bridge at Datchet and the Albert Bridge at Old Windsor. The gentlemen in training are the following: Mr. F. WILLAN, 1; Mr. A. C. YARNOLD, 2; Mr. J. C. TEBBS, (President of the Oxford University Boat Club,) 3; Mr. S. D. DARBISHIRE, 4; Mr. W. S. WOODHOUSE, 5; Mr. J. H. HALL, coxswain. Most of the crew are old Etonians, and the four finally selected, judging from their admirable style of rowing at the present time, will doubtless prove themselves creditable representatives of the Oxford University, and worthy competitors of the Americans who have measured the challenge in the forthcoming contest.

LEWISTON, Me., July 31.—An old man named JOHN GANNON, aged 45 years, was run over by the up train on the Grand Trunk Railway this morning and had his right leg crushed. He was sitting on the track, and the engineer thought he was a Frenchman. He will not recover.

TELEGRAMS.

Dissatisfaction in Spain with Napoleon's Carlist Policy.

The Mustering of Carlists Allowed in the South of Spain.

The Official Dispatches with Prussia to be Published by Von Beust.

Editors Sentenced in France for Publishing Canards.

SPAIN.

The Carlist Movement—Dissatisfaction with Napoleon's Course—Minister Sickles and Serrano.

MADRID, Saturday, July 31.

There is much dissatisfaction here at NAPOLEON's laxity toward the Carlist conspirators on the frontiers. The Press comment severely on the course taken by the French Government. Bands of Carlists have appeared in various places within the last few days. Many arrests have been made.

General SICKLES, the new American Minister, in presenting his credentials to Marshal SERRANO, said that the United States now more than ever appreciate the traditional amity of Spain, as animated by new sympathies and a common participation in constitutional liberties.

Marshal SERRANO replied that the Government would endeavor to increase the amity so happily existing between the two peoples, which was bound by ancient bonds, and now having others equally powerful in the beneficial exercise of the amplest liberties placed by the Constitution in accordance with the monarchy of such glorious memories. He concluded with a tribute to Mr. SICKLES, and expressed his belief that General GRANT could not have made a more grateful selection to the Spanish people.

PARIS, Saturday, July 31.

The *Patrie* of to-day says that the Spanish Government allows the Carlists to muster in the north, but is collecting forces to prevent the movement southward.

AUSTRIA.

The Official Dispatches with Prussia to be Published by Von Beust—Minister Jay.

VIENNA, Saturday, July 31.

The *Presse*, the official organ, says that VON BEUST intends to publish all the official dispatches with Prussia to justify the late assertion made to the delegation.

Minister JAY has returned from Hamburg and resumed his duties.

FRANCE.

Sentence of Editors for Publishing Canards.

PARIS, Saturday, July 31.

The manager and two of the editors of the *Rappel* newspaper have been sentenced to one month's imprisonment and to pay a large fine for publishing false news.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Health of Mr. Gladstone—Practice of the Oxford Crew.

LONDON, Saturday, July 31.

Mr. GLADSTONE, who has been ill for a few days past, has returned to London. His health is much improved, though he is still weak.

The Oxford boatcrew went down the river Thames to Pangborne, to practice. This was done to get deeper water and a longer course. The Oxfords have just received a new four-oared racing boat, built by SALTER, and who is now engaged upon one for the Harvard crew. The weight of the Harvard crew is four pounds more than that of the Oxford.

The Harvard crew were out again this morning and this evening for practice. The pace made was good. The betting is two to one on the Oxfords.

THE FRENCH CABLE.

The Line to be Open for Business on Aug. 15—The Tolls.

The following has been sent over the cable:

BREST, France, Saturday, July 31.

To the Associated Press, New-York:

The directors of the French-American Telegraph Company beg you to be their medium for expressing their gratitude to the Press who have so kindly and officionally recorded their efforts. This Company will begin business on the 15th of August, with a reduction of—say twenty per cent. on the present tariff; also, giving further facilities which they hope will be appreciated by the public. Press dispatches, of course, will be half price. Further details will be published by our agent.

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COLLIGNON.

CUBA.

Government Expenses—Cost of the War.

HAVANA, Saturday, July 31.

The following estimates have been made for August:

Expenses of the War Department	$800,000
Expenses of the Navy Department	350,000
Expenses of the Civil Department	750,000
Miscellaneous	300,000
Total	$2,200,000

MEXICO.

An Insurrection in Yucatan—The Volcanic Eruption in Colima Increasing.

HAVANA, Saturday, July 31.

The steamship *Cleopatra* arrived here this morning from Vera Cruz, bringing dates from the City of Mexico to the 23d inst. All was quiet at

CURRENT LITERATURE.

THE GREEK IDYLL.

He sat the quiet stream beside—
His white feet laving in the tide—
And watched the pleasant waters glide
Beneath the skies of Summer.
The singing rains tremulous to sound,
Her footfall on the thyme ground
Unheard; his tranquil heart the found
That beautiful new comer.

He said—" My own Glycerium;
The pulses of the wood are dumb,
How well I knew that thou wouldst come,
Beneath the branches gliding."
The dreamer fancied he had heard
Her footstep, whenever stirred
The Summer wind, or humoid bird
Amid the boughs abiding.

She dipped her fingers in the brook,
And based swills with happy look
Upon the windings of a book
Of Cyprian hymnings tender.
The ripples to the ocean raced—
The flying minutes passed in haste;
His arm was round the maiden's waist—
That waist so very slender.

O cruel Time! O tyrant Time!
Whose Winter all the streams of rhyme,
The flowing waves of love sublime,
In bitter passage freezes.
I only see the scrambling goes,
The force on the velvet foot,
While an old shepherd with an oat
Pipes to the Autumn breezes.

—*Walter Savage Lander.*

A CICCIATA AT ROME.

From Once a Week.

In the eye of the year of revolutions, 1848, ere it was the fashion to get up excursions to either the Holy Land or the Eternal City, I chanced to witness at Rome one of the strangest spectacles that ever tourist in search of the sensational set eyes on—an unmistakable trait of barbarian manners, dating back, it is said, to the darkest ages of the world's history.

I had been staying in Rome for some time—until, in fact, I had become intensely wearied with its art monuments and its sacerdotal pageantry—when one afternoon, while strolling on the Corso, I encountered a former friend of mine, Count Graziani.

"Ah! *pecorino*, you at Rome!" cried he; "what are you doing here?"

"I hardly know," I replied; "I was putting precisely the same question to myself the moment I recognized you."

"One is therefore to understand, I presume, that you have been in the capital of the Cæsars a certain number of days, weeks or months—sufficiently long at any rate to feel bored?"

"You have guessed correctly; that is precisely my case. Show some pity for me, and suggest to me a way of amusing myself during the few days I feel I must still remain here for letters from England. You, being a native, of course know Rome well. I have gone diligently through my Murray—seen the Vatican, the Quirinal, and St. Peter's, and one knows not how many other churches; have contemplated what remains of the Capitol—the Tarpeian Rock failed to interest me; have visited the Sistine Chapel in the morning, the Corso at noon, and the Colisseum at midnight. I have explored the catacombs, seen the Palazzo Doria and all the other show palaces; have been, of course, to Tivoli, taking in Hadrian's Villa on the road. Thanks to a chance acquaintance, I have also been presented to the Pope; I have seen, I expect, the entire College of Cardinals, have admired the pirouettes of one or two celebrated opera dancers, and made the acquaintance of several young and interesting brigands, sojourning at present in the Castle of St. Angelo. In fact, I have seen all that is to be seen so far as I know of. Very possibly, however, you can show me something I have not yet made acquaintance with."

The Count considered for a moment, then inquired of me how long I was likely to remain. "If over Thursday," said he, "I can introduce you to a most bewildering sight on that evening. I would ask you to dine with me beforehand, only it is desirable we should not be seen together. I shall make one condition—you must ask no questions. Will you come?"

"It is something mysterious, then. My curiosity is already excited. I accept your offer, of course, and attend your instructions."

"Well, then, on Thursday evening meet me at dusk in front of the Alberto Theatre—say half-past eight. Come dressed very quietly, so as not to attract attention, and, above everything, keep your own counsel for the sake of your own personal security. Thursday evening, remember, half-past eight, opposite the Alberto Theatre. Silence, mystery and good luck. Good-by." And without giving me time to say a word in reply, the Count walked hurriedly away.

As for myself, I continued my stroll; puzzled, as may be supposed, by the Count's rendezvous, which had, however, the effect of raising my hopes on the tiptoe pitch, and caused me to look forward to witnessing something which was at any rate not to be found described in any guide-book.

The letters I expected arrived in due course, and on the Thursday I made my arrangements for leaving Rome on the following day. Toward evening I dressed myself in a traveling suit, put a loaded revolver in my pocket in case of its being required, and proceeded on foot toward the Alberto Theatre. It was a little after eight o'clock. I found Count Graziani already at the rendezvous, pacing slowly up and down in company with a young man with whom he was chatting familiarly. Scarcely had I approached the spot, when the Count exclaimed, "I am glad you have come early; we lose time, but jump into a carriage at once."

I was rather surprised to find that he did not introduce the stranger and myself. However, once in the carriage we commenced chatting as familiarly as though we were old acquaintances. This friend of the Count's proved to be a very agreeable young man. Although somewhat effeminate, he had a great air, and was even distinguished looking; still it is difficult with Italians to guess by birth from their manners and appearance. He was not more than 24 years of age, and his raven black hair and moustache set off that peculiar sallowness of complexion which is common among people of the South, who drink nothing but water. Altogether he would have passed for a handsome man among Italians even.

The carriage had been rattling along for about ten minutes, and I noticed that we were traversing dark and narrow streets entirely unknown to me. Although I did not feel in the least alarmed, yet I must confess that this nocturnal excursion awakened in me a kind of uneasy feeling, so that I could not avoid questioning my companions.

"My dear friend," said I to the Count, "I accepted your offer in the spirit in which it was made, and, as you desired, asked no questions; but now that you have me, and I cannot retreat, I suppose you will see object to tell me where we are bound."

"Pardon me," replied the Count; "what I promised was to show you a sight you had never seen before, and will probably never see again as long as you live; but I never engaged to tell you where this spectacle was to take place. I counted upon your knowledge of me not only to trust yourself to me with perfect confidence, but to ask no questions. You were in search of something strange. I promise you, you shall not be disappointed; still, if you hesitate, it is not too late to turn back."

"Do not misunderstand me," I rejoined; "I have every confidence in you, and am perfectly certain that in all this secrecy and mystery there is nothing contrary to the high character you have in everybody's estimation."

The Count simply answered, "You ought to know me."

His companion added:

"There is nothing to fear so long as you are discreet; only do not speak of what you are about to witness until you are safe back in your own country."

In a few moments our carriage came to a halt in a badly-lighted open space, where four dark, dirty, narrow streets met. We alighted at once, and before proceeding a single step waited till the vehicle had driven off and the noise of its wheels was lost in the silence of the night. We had scarcely walked a hundred paces before Count Graziani stopped in front of the low door of a suspicious looking house, and said in a suppressed voice:

"This is the place."

Gently pushing the door, which yielded without an effort to the first pressure, we all three entered a long, dark passage, at the end of which one noticed a dim light shining through the curtains and glass panes of a second door, which appeared to lead into the only room lighted up in the entire building.

Before we had arrived half way down the passage the door opened and a man made his appearance, who fastened the door behind him with great care. For the moment or two the door remained ajar one heard a murmur of voices which satisfied me that the room was occupied by a numerous company. Upon a signal from the Count we had all three come to a halt. The man, in advance, approached us, lift some one the little light that came from this apartment and which had served until this moment to guide our steps. As soon as he recognized the Count, who was in front of our party, some whispers were exchanged between the two, and a minute or two afterward a feeble light was seen on our right, and we followed the unknown up a narrow, dirty, slimy flight of steps, which the darkness had prevented one from observing before.

We ascended eleven steps, for I took the trouble to count them, and found ourselves in front of a door, before passing through which the man who was guiding us put out the light; and, in a scarcely audible voice, told us to take hold of each other by the hand and to follow him.

After we had groped for some moments through the darkness, he whispered to us to sit down, which we did upon a wooden bench we felt in front of us.

Whatever was going to happen, and what would it be possible for us to see in the impenetrable obscurity by which we were surrounded. After all these marches and counter-marches, and this air of real or pretended mystery that met one at every step, it was impossible for one's curiosity not to be aroused to the highest pitch; still I refrained from venturing upon any further questions.

From the direction we had taken I felt persuaded that we were almost immediately over the room we had noticed on the ground floor, and this opinion was confirmed on hearing a loud noise beneath—the sound of numerous voices speaking rapidly and more or less together, varied at times by sudden shouts—yells, one might almost style them—delivered by the stamping of feet. Suddenly there rose a curtain, an arras length in front of us, which enabled one to see that we were in a kind of low, narrow closed gallery, which commanded a view of what was going on below, without its occupants being observed or their presence suspected even.

None of us had spoken. I for my part was taken up with observing the scene at our feet, and trying to detect aught peculiar in it, but all I could make out was about a score of men, and all evidently belonging to the common people, seated drinking at various tables at the further end of the room, and arguing and shouting among themselves with the fury of demoniacs. The Count whispered in my ear,—

"We may speak now, but so as not to be heard; otherwise, I won't answer for our lives."

"Well, then," said I, "since the spell is at length broken, tell me where we are and why all this mystery to see a score of Italians drinking and quarreling among themselves. The sight has nothing novel in it, and it is not even an agreeable one."

The Count, pressing my arm, replied, "Wait a while. Watch attentively for what is going to happen." As for our companion, the effeminate young Italian, he did not say a word, and one was only conscious of his presence by his occasionally hard breathing.

I examined at leisure all that was passing beneath. The room was lit up by merely four miserable lamps, which gave out a far more disagreeable odor than light; still one could distinguish the countenances of most of the men, all of whom had, more or less, weather-beaten faces and keen, energetic looking eyes. A few of them were already aged and grizzly; others on the contrary were mere youths, but all appeared equally daring and brave. As I watched them attentively I observed one of the men mount upon a bench and address the others, who listened to him with marked attention, and from their gestures I gathered that the speaker's proposition was favorably received.

Despite the full and empty jugs upon the tables at which these men were seated none of them appeared intoxicated, though there were, perhaps, one or two whose brains were excited by drink; there was, however, no approach to that stupid and brutal drunkenness to which many of the working classes of more northern nations habitually give way. You might have taken these men for conspirators or brigands even, but you would never have set them down for drunkards.

"What is going to happen now?" inquired I of the Count, in an under tone.

"You see all faces now!" replied he, speaking equally low; "most of them are young, and all are strong and hale. Well, the long and the short of the matter is, they are about to pounard one another with unexampled ferocity."

"Good heavens! what do you mean?" exclaimed I, in an audible voice, which caused the Count to grip me by the arm. Then, speaking low, I continued, "I know they have been disputing among themselves, but the cause of quarrel seems to have passed off. They are evidently comrades of one another, if not friends."

"They are so, in fact, and indeed it is necessary they should have a reciprocal esteem in order to join in this singular conflict, the conditions of which they are settling at this moment."

I was stupefied. I should have thought my friend was endeavoring to mystify me, but I could see from his manner that he was in earnest. Besides, the various precautions he had throughout adopted, with reference to our presence at this gladiatorial exhibition, convinced me that the Count had told me nothing but the truth.

"And this is to take place before our eyes?" inquired I.

"Let me explain to you the conditions of this singular duel," said my friend, "for it is a duel—brought about, however, without enmity or anger on the parts of those who engage in it, and with the sole view of proving their courage and their contempt for existence. In the savage recreations, the origin of which dates from the barbarous times, is called a Cicciata, which comes from the word 'meat'—this is all the explanation I am able to give you. From time to time, eluding the vigilance of the Police, a party of individuals will meet at some tavern in the old quarters of the city, and propose a Cicciata, usually, as I have said, with the sole object of testing each other's courage, though sometimes with the intention of gratifying, if possible, some hidden revenge. Now," added the Count, suddenly breaking off his recital, "follow all their movements; that tall man you see at the end of the room is advocating the immediate commencement of the combat." Our young companion here began rubbing his hands, as if with satisfaction at the prospect of what was about to happen.

As for myself, I felt that I ought to retire; still I was, as it were, fascinated to the spot, and watched every movement of these men with increasing interest. A perfect tumult suddenly arose among them. The individual whom the Count had pointed out, and who towered above his companions fully half a head, continued speaking with marked emphasis, but the word "cicciata" was the only one I could distinctly catch, for he spoke under such excitement and with such rapidity that I was unable to follow him. At the conclusion of his harangue his compatriots thrust their hands into their pockets and each pulled out a long knife, and we saw a score or more of thin, sharp blades glistening in the sinister light.

"Good heavens!" I exclaimed, "they are never going to cut each other's throats before our very eyes, and without any further preliminary."

"Calm yourself, my dear fellow," replied the Count, "you will see nothing worse than this; only watch all that transpires attentively."

The reply of the Count puzzled me. His recommendation was, however, needless, for, despite myself, my looks were riveted upon the scene beneath. It was impossible to rid myself of the idea that at any moment one might see blood commence to flow, yet the last thing I thought of was withdrawing my gaze.

Suddenly, as though in obedience to some signal, the score of individuals commenced to strip. As a preliminary precaution, however, each placed his long knife beside him; then, with perfect calmness, they removed their garments, one by one, till they were naked to the waist. It was a strange sight, all these robust frames thrown into relief in the trembling light. As they were removing the tables in order to have a clear field, one could not help admiring their energetic heads, their defiant looks, and the quivering muscles of their brawny arms.

"Now," whispered my friend, "the combat is about to begin. The tall individual whom I have already pointed out to you, and round whom they are again gathered, is reminding them of the conditions of the sanguinary struggle. In the first place the lights have to be extinguished, in order that he who happens to get struck may not know who has dealt him the blow, and that he who strikes may be ignorant when he has wounded. The only way of avoiding reprisals on the part of relatives on the other. It is formally prohibited. I should inform you, to strike below the waist, and whatever may be the gravity of the wound, he who receives it is required to suppress any cry of pain that might cause him to be recognised. Further, it is prohibited to strike a man when down, so that he who is wounded, or who does not wish to continue the combat, has only to throw himself on the floor for his person to become sacred, as no one will then touch him. Every time, however, these men meet one another erect in the darkness, they will strike pitilessly around them, and yet they are all friends, and some of them relations even."

The last table and the last stool removed, every man placed himself, knife in hand, with his face to the wall. The lights had only to be extinguished for the carnage to commence.

I am ashamed to confess that I followed with increasing curiosity each phase of this terrible drama which was about to be performed in perfect darkness, scarcely half a dozen yards from the spot where we were seated. The tall man, who had all along appeared to direct the proceedings, now extinguished the first lamp, then the second, then the third; we then saw him approach the fourth, and last, my heart palpitated violently, and I thought of revealing my presence by crying out, and so putting a stop to this infamous butchery, but I remembered what the Count had said, and felt that I had no right to jeopardise the lives of my companions. I made, therefore, a sort of compact with my conscience, closed my eyes and placed my hands over my ears, and determined to sit the affair quietly out to the end.

After remaining thus, as it appeared to me, for some considerable time, fatigued with my position, I withdrew my hands and opened my eyes, but all was darkness and the most profound silence prevailed, and I seemed as if under the influence of a dream. At an unguarded movement which I made, I felt the Count grasp me tightly by the arm, as if to imply that I must remain perfectly still. Precisely at the same moment there was a certain agitation immediately beneath us, and I concluded that the combatants were now about to commence the attack. For the next few minutes we heard nothing beyond the sound of suspended respirations, faint breathings that were only perceptible in the death-like stillness that had for some time prevailed. I imagined each individual to be on the defensive, holding his breath, acting with extreme circumspection, and only moving stealthily on tiptoe; as one could see absolutely nothing of what was taking place, the only thing was to guess at it.

Every moment the agitation appeared to increase; the vague, undecided perturbation of the last few minutes had assumed a more positive character, and one was able to distinguish particular efforts made by individual combatants. We could hear them springing from one end of the room to the other, as though endeavoring to strike an adversary on their passage; then, little by little, as the intoxication of the contest in which they were engaged appeared to increase, one heard the shock of bodies coming into collision, and the dead sound of the accompanying blow, followed by falls and suppressed groans. Once, when the carnage seemed to have arrived at its height, there was a tumult of gasping vociferations and stifled cries, seemingly in no known language, and yet perfectly harrowing. This scene, rendered all the more frightful by the darkness, had now lasted for upward of twenty minutes, when suddenly a voice cried out, "Every one lie down." In a moment or two there was the most complete silence.

The same man who had extinguished the lights relit them one by one. The spectacle we then had under our eyes was painful to behold. Those who had not been severely injured in the general melée had risen as soon as the signal was repeated, but several remained lying on the ground, with blood flowing from their wounds, which were at once attended to by such as had escaped perfectly free; others who were not dangerously wounded occupied themselves in examining, with cold disdain, the slashes and punctures they had received, while one or two of the more indifferent of the party were coolly engaged in wiping their blood-stained weapons on their pocket-handkerchiefs.

This is what is called a Cicciata.

THEATRICAL BENEFITS.—In SHAKESPEARE'S time the actors knew nothing of benefits. They obtained the best price they could for their services, and the risk of profit or loss upon the performance was wholly the affair of the manager. Indeed, it was long after the time when the chance of an overplus had become systematized as a means of paying authors, that it occurred to any one that actors might also be remunerated in a similar way. In olden days the actor's profession was not favorably regarded by the general public; his social position was particularly insecure; he was looked upon as of close kin to the rogue and the vagabond, and with degrading possibilities in connection with the stocks and the whipping-post never wholly severed from his professional career. An Elizabethan player preaming to submit his personal claims and merits to the consideration of the audience, with a view to his own individual profit, apart from the general company of which he was a member, and the manager whom he served, would probably have been deemed guilty of a most unpardonable impertinence. Gradually, however, the status of the actor improved; people began to concede that he was not necessarily or invariably a mountebank, and that certain of the qualities and dignities of an art might attach now and then to his achievements. The famous Mrs. BARRY was, according to CIBBER, "the first person whose merit was distinguished by the indulgence of having an annual benefit play, which was granted to her alone," he proceeds, "if I mistake not, first in King JAMES II.'s time, and which became not common to others until the division of the company, after the death of King WILLIAM'S Queen MARY." However, in the preceding reign, in the year 1661, it appears by an agreement made between DAVENANT, BETTERTON and others, that CHARLES HART and EDWARD KYNASTON were to be paid five shillings apiece for every day they shall act any tragedies or comedies or other representations at the Duke's Theatre, in Salisbury Court, or wherever the company shall act during the respective lives of the said CHARLES HART and EDWARD KYNASTON, excepting the days the young men or young women play for their own profit only. Benefits would certainly seem to be referred to, unless we are to understand the performances to be of a common-wealth kind, carried on by the players at their own risk and independently of the managers. Still, to KING JAMES' admiring patronage of Mrs. BARRY, the benefit system, as it is at present known to us, has been generally ascribed, and clearly the monarch's memory deserves to be cherished on this account by our players. He can ill afford to forego the smallest claim to esteem, and undoubtedly he entertained a friendly regard for the stage and its professors. Indeed, the STUARTS generally were well disposed toward the arts, and a decidedly play-going family.—*St. Paul's for July.*

THE EVILS OF MODERN "PROGRESS."—This first day of May, 1869, I am writing where my work was begun thirty-five years ago—within sight of the snows of the higher Alps. In that half of the permitted life of man I have seen strange evil brought upon every scene that I best loved, or tried to make beloved by others. The light which once flushed those pale summits with its rose at dawn, and purple at sunset, is now tinnered and faint; the air which once lulled the clefts of all their golden fragrance with azure, is now defiled with languid coils of smoke, belched from worse than volcanic fires; their very glacier waves are ebbing, and their snows fading, as if hell had breathed on them; the waters that once sunk at their feet into crystalline rest, are now dimmed and foul, from deep to deep and shore to shore. These are no careless words—they are accurately, terribly true. I know what the Swiss lakes were; no pool of Alpine fountain as its source was clearer. This morning, on the Lake of Geneva, at half a mile from the beach, could scarcely see my oar-blade a fathom deep. The light, the air, the waters are all defiled! How of the earth itself? Take this one fact for type of honor done by the modern Swiss to the earth of his native land. There used to be a little rock at the end of the avenue by the port of Neufchâtel; there, the last marble of the foot of Jura, sloping to the blue water, and (at this time of the year) covered with bright pink tufts of Saponaria. I went, three days since, to gather a blossom at the place. The goodly native rock and its flowers were covered with the dust and refuse of the town; but, in the middle of the avenue was a newly-constructed artificial rockery, with a fountain twisted through a spinning spout, and an inscription on one of its loose tumbled stones: "Aux Botanistes, le club Jurassique."

ANDREW MARVELL'S POETRY.

From Chambers's Journal.

Few of the poets of the time of CHARLES I. and the Commonwealth escaped the infection of this, the metaphysical school of poetry, as DRYDEN somewhat awkwardly called it, which DONNE is generally accused of having founded. In truth, neither he in England, nor MARINI in Italy, nor GONGORA in Spain, can be properly said to have founded a school. They were simply the most prominent masters of a certain style or method of writing which came into fashion from causes independent of the example or teaching of any man, and affected prose as well as poetry. Its essential characteristic may be described as wit run to seed, or rather, perhaps, an unnatural growth of wit produced by the very richness and high cultivation of the literature of the period; for in each case the phenomenon made its appearance in or immediately after a period eminently rich in literature, that of SHAKESPEARE, of TASSO, or of CERVANTES and LOPE DE VEGA. Metaphysical poets, Marinisti or Conceptistas, all wrote under the same inspiration—a desire of being distinguished for wit and fancy at a time when wit and fancy were especially held in honor; a nervous dread of being thought trite, unoriginal, and commonplace, if they should be found treading in the footsteps of others; and a sort of suspicion that the legitimate fields of imagination were already worked out, and that now nothing was left to the poet but to fall back upon ingenuity. Traces of the prevailing fashion are to be met with frequently in MARVELL's poems; and that they are not more abundant is probably owing to the fact that he wrote simply to please himself, "for his own hand," and not with any ambition of one day gaining a place among the poets. But in this respect there is a difference between his earlier and later verses. For instance, his "Nymph complaining for the Death of her Fawn," written, it would seem, before the close of the civil war, graceful, simple, and tender as the lines are, is not free from those *tours de force* of fancy which disfigure so much of the poetry of that day. Even the lowest, the mere verbal form of this forced wit, breaks out, *e.g.*:

But Sylvie soon had me beguiled,
This waxed tame; while he grew wild,
And, quite regardless of my smart,
Left me his *fawn*, but took his *heart*.

On the other hand, the poem on the "Bermudas," produced, we may fairly presume, several years later, when MARVELL was in daily communication with JOHN ORMSBIRDS, one of those very exiles to the Bermudas whose feelings the poem is supposed to express,—is as direct, natural, and unaffected as a poem of WORDSWORTH's could be. Both of these pieces have been of late frequently printed in collections of old poetry and works on English literature, especially the last, which a critic whose taste and judgment no one will dispute, has called "a gem of melody, picturesqueness and sentiment, nearly without a flaw." They are therefore, probably, too familiar already to the majority of our readers to justify quotation here, however tempting they may be as specimens of MARVELL at his best; and we shall take, instead, a few illustrations from less-known poems. In the verses addressed "To His Coy Mistress, the extravagance fancy, that is the graver sort of poetry is a blemish, becomes an ornament, employed as it is to push a kind of *argumentum ad absurdum* to the farthest possible limits, and its effect is heightened by the exquisite assumption of gravity in the opening lines,—

Had we but world enough and time,
This coyness, lady, were no crime.
We would sit down, and think which way
To walk, and pass our long love's day.
Thou by the Indian Ganges' side
Should'st rubies find; I by the tide
Of Humber would complain. I would
Love you ten years before the flood;
And you should, if you please, refuse
Till the conversion of the Jews.
My vegetable love should grow
Vaster than empires, and more slow.
An hundred years should go to praise
Thine eyes, and on thy forehead gaze;
Two hundred to adore each breast;
But thirty thousand to the rest.
An age at least to every part,—
And the last age should show your heart.
For, lady, you deserve this state;
Nor would I love at lower rate.
But at my back I always hear
Time's winged chariot hurrying near:
And yonder all before us lie
Deserts of vast eternity.

The conclusion, therefore, is to the same effect as HERRICK's advice, "Then be not coy, but use your time."

Now, therefore, while the youthful hue
Sits on thy skin like morning dew,
Let us roll all our strength and all
Our sweetness up into one ball;
And tear our pleasures with rough strife
Through the iron gates of life.
Thus, though we cannot make our sun
Stand still, yet we will make him run.

The little poem, of which we have here quoted the greater part, is characteristic of MARVELL in many ways, but more especially of that peculiarity of his which has been before alluded to, his trick—if anything so obviously natural and spontaneous can be called a trick—of passing suddenly from a light, bantering, trivial tone, to one of deep feeling, and even, as in the instance just quoted, of solemnity. Nothing in SUCKLING, or CAREW, or any other of the poets to whom love-making for them was a pastime, is more gay, *facile*, careless, and at the same time profoundly obsequious, than the first part; but lightly and playfully as the subject is treated, it suggests thoughts that lead to a graver and more impassioned strain. A few pages further on we find a poem which is, in truth, only a conceit expanded into a poem, but which in its very flimsiness shows a rare lightness of hand and neatness of execution. It is a sort of miniature idyll cast in the mouthpiece form, and entitled *Ametas and Thestylis making Hay-ropes.*

Ametas.—Think'st thou that this love can stand,
Whilst thou still dost say me nay?
Love unpaid does soon disband:
Love binds love, as hay binds hay.

Thestylis.—Think'st thou that this rope would twine,
If we both should turn one way?
Where both parties so combine,
Neither love will twist nor hay.

Ametas.—Thus you vain excuses find,
Which yourself and us delay;
And love ties a woman's mind
Looser than with ropes of hay.

Thestylis.—What you cannot constant hope
Must be taken as you may.

Ametas.—Then let's both lay by our rope,
And go kiss within the hay.

Nothing could be more designedly trifling than this, and yet what a finished elegance there is about it. It is not the highest art, perhaps, but there is a certain antique grace in the workmanship that reminds one, somehow, of a cameo or an old engraved gem. CHARLES LAMB, with his own peculiar felicity of expression, has hit on the precise phrase when he speaks of "a witty delicacy," as the prevailing quality in MARVELL's poetry. If he did sin, as it must be confessed he did occasionally, in forcing wit beyond its legitimate bounds, he made amends for the offence by the graceful turn he gave to a conceit. To take an instance from the lines *To a Fair Singer*, poets have again tacked their ingenuity to compliment ladies who are fortunate enough to add skill in music to their other charms, but we doubt if it has been ever done with greater elegance than here:

I could have fled from one but singly fair;
My disentangled soul itself might save,
Breaking the curled trammels of her hair;
But how should I avoid to be her slave,
Whose subtle art invisibly can wreathe
My fetters of the very air I breathe!

The taste for subtleties, ingenuities and prettiness, which here and there breaks out in MARVELL's verse, is, however, his only artificiality. He had, what was very rare among his contemporaries, a genuine love and reverence for nature. Most of the poets of his day treat nature in a somewhat patronizing spirit, as a good sort of institution, deserving of support, especially from poets, as being useful for supplying illustrations, comparisons, and descriptions available for poetic purposes. They, we suspect, regarded it very much as the cook does the shrubbery, from which he gets the holly and laurel leaves to garnish his dishes. MARVELL is one of the few men of that time who appear to have delighted in nature for its own sake, and not merely for its capabilities in the way of furnishing ideas. He enjoyed it thoroughly and thankfully, and in the poems written during his retirement at Nuneham Courtney, he has left us a picture of a man of genuine taste, who had the true sense of pleasure in natural beauty and scenery, and, what was very rare in those days, close observation and study of nature. The longest, that upon the Appleton House, for an adequate specimen of which we have not sufficient space, is an ample proof of this, and from beginning to end "breathes" some a phrase of WASHINGTON IRVING's—"the very soul of a rural voluptuary." One of his most graceful little poems, evidently belonging to this time, is a protest against the artificial gardening then coming into fashion, of which he says:

'Tis all outwoed; the fountain and the grove
While the sweet fields do lie forgot;
Where wilder nature does to all dispense
A wild and innocent presence.
And fauns and fairies do the meadows till,
More by their presence than their skill.
Their statues polished by some ancient hand,
May to adorn the gardens stand:
But, heaven's the figures do excel,
The Gods themselves do with us dwell.

ANCIENT AND MODERN NOTIONS OF COMETS.—From the days when WHISTON supposed them to be a sort of wandering hells, freighted with lost beings, who were alternately exposed to a heat fierce than that of Nebuchadnezzar's furnace, and to a cold incomparably more crushing than that of the poles, there had been a great change of opinion respecting the constitution of these celestial vagrants. Recognized for the most part as mere filmy masses, of such extraordinary tenuity that the light of the faintest stars perforates them as easily as water or air process through a sieve, the nucleus was the only portion where solid matter could be supposed to exist, if it really existed at all. Upon this point the spectroscope would speak when the opportunity arrived. But comets are not always lounging about in the heavens. If a splendid fellow, like the renowned rover of 1860, or the magnificent visitor of 1861, were to swim into view this Summer, a host of observers would rush out upon him with their instruments, and compel him to declare his character in intelligible terms. Failing these magnates, however, two humbler members of the profession were put upon trial. In the faint spectra they afforded bright lines appeared. That was one expressive fact. It showed that the source was a vaporous mass, shining by its own light. But these bright lines did not stretch right across the spectrum; they fell short, as the lines of print in a page fall short of the edges. What did this indicate? Since a comet generally presents the appearance of a nucleus, surrounded by a coma or nebulosity, it was presumable that the former yielded the central, and the latter the marginal portion of the spectrum. The first, the nucleus, was, therefore, stripped of all pretensions to solidity, and resolved into a self-luminous gas; the second, the coma, strange to say, might put in some claim to materiality, though, of course, in a sense so refined that we can scarcely associate it with the idea of avoirdupois weight any more than we could bring a cloud under the jurisdiction of the inspectors of weights and measures. Probably the whole matter of many a large comet, which appears to cover millions of miles of space, might, if condensed, be screwed down into an ordinary hogshead. Another comet, known as BRORSEN's, when catechised by the spectroscope, gave somewhat different, but equally striking replies. The nucleus was found to consist of a vapor in a luminous condition; but the surrounding portions of the coma were shown to be gaseous also, while the external parts seemed to be composed of matter in some concrete form, whether solid or liquid, this matter not being lighted by its own fires, but by reflection from the sun. That the central portion should thus prove apparently to be hotter than the outer envelope, which is liable to be blistered by the solar beams, showed that a comet is a much more independent institution than was commonly assumed, considering that its proceedings are regulated to such a large extent by its proximity to the sun, and that its most conspicuous feature (the tail) is governed in its growth, and almost in its existence, by its position with regard to that luminary. Possessing the power to give out light of their own, and maintaining this power, notwithstanding their long and distant voyage into space, the matter of which they are constituted must exist in some peculiar arrangements, which we of this grosser sphere can scarcely be expected to understand. Of course, it became a point of great importance to determine the kind of gas of which the nucleus and other vaporous parts consisted. Of the three bright lines which appeared, one vivid streak lay in the green department of the spectrum; the other two belonged to the yellow and blue. The first almost coincided with the principal line which characterizes the spectrum of nitrogen; but as the other lines denoting the presence of this gas were not exhibited in the cometic spectrum, no conclusion upon the point could be confidently drawn. The other bands did not seem to accord with the lines produced by any of our terrestrial gases. Shortly afterward, however, (June, 1868,) a still more sparkling voyager sailed into our terrestrial seas, and was discovered by Dr. WINNECKE, as well as by M. BECQUET at Marseilles. The morning after the observations were made, says Mr. HUGGINS, it was found that its spectrum appeared to agree exactly with one of a series of the spectra of sounds obtained from the decomposition of various carbon compounds. In 1856 Professor SWAN had shown that all hydro-carbon flames yielded yellow, green, light blue and rich violet bands; and Dr. ATTFIELD proved that an dissimilar compounds containing that element emitted similar rays of light, the bands in question were characteristic of the ignited vapor of carbon. And a beautiful spectrum this substance affords; for "the lines composing each band of light regularly diminish in brightness in the direction of greatest refraction, and appear to retreat from the observer, like pillars of a portico seen in perspective." Further scrutiny of WINNECKE's comet confirmed the conclusion already deduced, and showed that its spectrum agreed with that of carbon as obtained by the decomposition of olefiant gas, though the lines of hydrogen natural to the latter were wanting in the former. There seems no reason, therefore, for doubting that part of the cometary light at least is really derived from this element. "But," remarks Mr. HUGGINS, "the difficulty of accepting what appears to be the obvious teaching of these observations arises from the very high temperature necessary to raise carbon to a state of vapor; for it appears to be alone when carbon is in the condition of luminous vapor that the characteristic spectrum of the bright bands appears. A degree of heat sufficient, perhaps, even for this purpose has been experienced by a very few comets. A temperature less excessive might, indeed, be sufficient, if we were free to suppose that comets consist of some compound of carbon which is decomposed by the sun's heat."—*British Quarterly Review.*

THE OLD MYTHS.—In all the most beautiful and enduring myths, we shall find, not only a literal story of a real person—not only a parallel imagery of moral principles—but an underlying worship of natural phenomena, out of which both have sprung, and in which both forever remain rooted. Thus, from the great rising and setting—from the real atmosphere, calm in its dominion of unfading blue, and fierce in its descent of tempest—the Greek forms first the idea of two entirely personal and corporeal gods, whose limbs are clothed in divine flesh, and whose brows are crowned with divine beauty; yet so real that the quiver rattles at their shoulder, and the chariot bends beneath their weight; and, on the other hand, collaterally with these corporeal images, and never for one instant separated from them, he conceives also two omnipresent spiritual influences, of which one illuminates, as the sun, with a constant fire, whatever inhumanity is skillful and wise; and the other, like the living air, breathes the calm of heavenly fortitude and strength of righteous anger, into every human breast that is pure and brave.—*Ruskin's "Queen of the Air."*

RENAN'S HISTORIES.—As idyls—accompanied by erudite notes and critical introductions, as fanciful pictures of a "pastorale délicieuse"—as M. RENAN designates the life of the earliest followers of the Son of Man—the "Jésus" and the "Apôtres" are really charming productions. It matters nothing that the idyl sometimes almost loses its character, and is, almost imperceptibly, changed into an epic. Idyllic and epic elements are not incompatible in poetry; the picture of the origins of an Utopia must be both epic and idyllic. But Utopias are, unfortunately, only creations of poets or visions of prophets. The Golden Age, the Commonwealth of PLATO, the "last days" of Isaiah—none of these belongs to the domain of history. And no "grande épopée" of human history, from Moses to NAPOLEON, has been idyllic; least of all the French Revolution, with which M. RENAN so much likes to compare the revolution he depicts. And yet it is for history—critical history—that he endeavors to impose upon us these delicious pastorals. As history, they are far from being delicious—but, rather, they are not quite the contrary. The ingenious process by which our author transforms rugged, rude, and ignorant Galilee—the Galilee of the procurators, the *sicarii*, and exorcists—into an earthly paradise, full of love and joy and sunshine, numberless miracles into natural facts, and all kinds of psychological and historical incongruities into apparently logical developments—those processes are equaled in uncritical sense only by the method he applies to examining ecclesiastico-traditional testimony, and which makes him so often enter as historical's small part of an evidence the bulk of which he rejects as forged, falsified, based on superstition, or altogether incredible. M. RENAN, without any qualification, rejects as incredible everything supernatural; but the shadows that accompany the delineations of supernatural things he saves, and—quite as artfully as artistically—works them into new images. His new images are often excellent imitations of the sacred ones he tears; but while orthodoxy must spurn them as devoid of all sacred substance, more unimpassioned criticism, too, can see in them little more than shadows. The age of Jesus is a fit subject for the pen of sceptical historians; His life can be written only by a believer, for all we have about Him comes from unconditional believers.—*The Nation.*

VIRELAI.

A lark in the mesh of the tangled vine,
A bee tast drowsy in the flower-cup's wine,
A fly in the sunshine,—such is man,
All things must end, as all begun.

A little pain, a little pleasure,
A little heaping-up of treasure,
Then no more gazing upon the sun,
All things must end that have begun.

Where is the time for hope or doubt?
A puff of the wind, and life is out.
A turn of the wheel, and rest is won.
All things must end that have begun.

Golden morning and purple night,
Life that falls with the falling light!
Death is the only deathless one,
All things must end that have begun.

Ending waits on the brief beginning:
Is the prize worth the stress of winning?
Even in the fawning the day is done,
All things must end that have begun.

Weary waiting and weary striving,
Glad outsetting and sad arriving;
What is it worth when the goal is won?
All things must end that have begun.

Speedily fades the morning glitter;
Love grows irksome and wine grows bitter.
Two are parted from what was one.
All things must end that have begun.

Toil and pain and the evening rest,
Joy is weary and sleep is best.
Fair and softly the day is done.
All things must end that have begun.

—*St. Paul Magazine.*

MARTIN FEREOL AND HIS PUPIL.

From St. Paul's for July.

A question which often occupied old Féreol was the extent to which bats are preyed upon by owls, and his affection for his pupil Désiré took rise in his appreciation of that youth's intelligent exertions in aiding him to remove his doubts. Désiré had entered the Baron's service as an infant orphan, and had given early proof of those faunist inclinations which not unfrequently distinguish the untutored rustic. A naturalist by instinct, his delights and tendencies were sylvan, and the genial character of the work assigned to him at the château converted his daily service into a task of love. The Baron had placed him at the exclusive disposal of old Féreol, who, from approval and confidence, had proceeded to tenderness, and ultimately adopted him formally, and bequeathed him all his savings.

The attic floor of the château was devoted to the storing of roots and orchard fruits. The walls were hung round with herbs and dried grapes, and layers of pods and seeds were disposed over all the shelves. The garnishing of these stores was Désiré's recreation, and his care was to maintain them in artistic and inviting order. The whole floor presented the appearance of a dried garden, the illusion being enhanced by the comforting reality of a crop safely gathered home, and secure from storms and squirrels. To subdue the powerful fragrance from these collections, the windows were kept open night and day, but the attic floor was not the less Désiré's permanent and elected residence. In one corner was an open doorway, leading to a small bedroom. This was Désiré's chamber, arranged after his own heart. The bed had been removed, and in its place was a nest of hay, kept constantly renewed and turned, and refreshed at intervals with clover-heads and scented heath. The window was taken away as being an obstacle to pure air. The space created was nevertheless not left a gaping void; underneath was a trough filled with earth, from which rose a growth of white-thorn, that formed a standing hedge between the apartment and the open air.

Round the room, by way of border, was a continuous line of raised plank, pierced with holes, and covered with layers of close turf, which were maintained in freshness by constant and minute attention. A bench of wild bowers, in green pots, completed the furniture, the room containing nothing else,

was had for a time. Curiously, if I remember right, the thumb mortified, and had to be amputated within sight of land; and we have ever since been called upon to admire the zeal and heroism of the sufferer. I am willing to do so, just as I admire St. Simeon Stylites for standing for twenty years on a column, and saying his prayers 1,244 times a day. Only I cannot help asking in each case, whether so rare a quality or heroism could not have been turned to some better account? Zeal is not a commodity of which we have such an abundance that we can complacently set it running to waste. Science often means nothing more than accurate and systematic knowledge of facts; and the question always remains whether the facts are really worth knowing. If a man of genius spends years in investigating the habits of a microscopic animalcule, it does not follow that the game was worth the candle, simply because we give to the knowledge gained the mystic name of science.—*Cornhill for July.*

NAPOLEON I. AS A GENERAL.

From the Duc d'Aumale's Military Institutes of France.

Let us return to 1809. In the midst of increasing confusion NAPOLEON was still himself. Thanks to his memory, his vigilance and his rare versatility, no detail was forgotten. He could follow the smallest detachment from one end of Europe to the other, but he could not steal fire from heaven; he could not transmit to others his own genius and ardor, nor animate with his breath alone the clay of the conscription which he fashioned so incessantly. A simple Senatus Consultum now sufficed to bring this formidable engine into play; first one, then two classes were called out in advance; then two and three in arrear, and men who had thrice found substitutes were eventually obliged to join the ranks. When it came to the Emperor's knowledge that the elder son of any great family was, in spite of the facilities for promotion, kept at home by parental authority to avoid the military schools, an officer's commission was sent him—a singular *lettre de cachet*. To obtain men anything was allowable; even boys were called out and placed in "the velites" and "the pupilles." While the guard was augmented by regiments not less brave, but as young and inexperienced as the generality, it was necessary to break up OUDINOT's celebrated grenadiers—this non-privileged *corps d'élite*—and to disperse them among thirty-six fourth battalions which came from the depots with soldiers raised within a few months. In other battalions still less cared for, the epaulet of "grenadier" or "voltigeur" (flank companies) was even bestowed on those conscripts who had most quickly learned to handle their weapons. Nevertheless, this army, thus hastily constituted, had already taken Ratisbonne, and marched down the Danube. One corps alone, that of the conqueror of Austerlitz and Eckmuhl, retained its original organization. To give unity and an impulse to the others, MASSENA and LANNES were on the spot and MACDONALD marched side by side with the brave and modest EUGENE. The troops were proved at Essling, and conquered at Wagram; but Providence did not withhold its warnings from NAPOLEON. He himself owned that he could no longer attempt what he had risked with the soldiers of Austerlitz. Lieutenants were more obstinately disputed and Generals were compelled to expose themselves greatly. When at this same battle of Wagram, MASSENA's Corps changed front to the left to cover the repulse of BOUDET's Division, and when the army of Italy replaced it in the centre, the latter advanced in deep order of battalions, deployed one behind the other, "at distance of mass," in the same order which was destined to be afterward so fatal to the Corps d'ELON on the 18th of June, 1815. Long after, Marshal MACDONALD explained the motives which induced him to adopt this disposition, since so criticised. He had observed alarming symptoms; the roll-call, frequently repeated, showed an increasing proportion of absentees, not explained by the losses caused by the enemy's fire. "What?" exclaimed an interlocutor, "do you mean to say that our soldiers were no longer brave?" The Marshal, after a moment's reflection, replied in his simple and honest manner, "Yes, they were as brave; but they were no longer welded together." In the same way that the Grand Army was exhausted in Spain, the army of Wagram was destined to be buried beneath the snows of Russia. We only require to speak of this colossal expedition as far as relates to the character of its organization. It was a crusade with more method and less faith. The military force of Europe followed the Emperor while execrating his power. The purely French troops who crossed the Niemen in 1812 were in better condition than at the commencement of the war in 1809. To make use of MACDONALD's expression, they were more firmly "welded together," but they were in a manner hampered by being mixed up with foreign troops. There were entire corps of Bavarians, Saxons and Westphalians; there were foreign divisions in every French *corps d'armée*, and in nearly every French division there were battalions of different languages and nationalities—Badois, Spaniards, Dutch, Croats, Hanseatics, &c. While bowing to the impenetrable motives which prompted the resolutions of genius, common sense demands what confidence could be inspired by such a motley assemblage; and it is astonishing to find as many as 60,000 malcontents incorporated in our ranks—men who seemed collected together only to bring with them an element of insubordination and dissolution. It is above all startling when, at the essential points, the two wings of this immense line of battle, already so incongruous, were filled the Prussians on one side and the Austrians on the other. Infatuation could not go to the extent of believing that, in case of disaster, either would make in any great efforts to protect the flank of the Prussian column. What happened is well known. The brilliant illusions which dazzled the mind of NAPOLEON on his departure for Moscow seem to have given place to some after-thoughts which perhaps he would not admit even to himself. No doubt he did not foresee disaster, but he endeavored to guard against the same accident which took place in his rear in 1809, such as the landing of the English at Walcheren, and the attempts of Major SCHILL and the Duke of BRUNSWICK. With this view he established a *corps d'armée* on the Oder, and left behind him instructions for calling out the 140,000 conscripts of 1813, of which a justly popular romance has given us the type. He also ordered the formation in "cohorts" of about 100,000 National Guards, from the age of twenty-two to twenty-seven, the residue of the oldest classes of the conscription; these men were arbitrarily brought together under the promise of being only employed for the defence of the country. After his sudden return from Smorgoni, NAPOLEON therefore found about 240,000 men under arms in France. A decree of the Senate sufficed to form the National Guard into regiments and to do away with the special conditions under which they were embodied. By recalling officers from Spain and taking from our posts the men no longer required for our beaten navy, by employing several expedients already in use at other periods, and of which the form alone was changed—NAPOLEON was enabled to bring together on the Elbe, in the month of April, 1813, not 365,000 men, as were shown in adding up his resources on paper, but 195,000 as the utmost. To such an extent had the loss usual in the formation of armies been increased by the peculiar elements of which this one was composed. When all the levies were united the total of this armament in this fatal year amounted to 900,000 soldiers—a miracle of creative power! But the miracles of even the greatest men have a limit, and the people are taught by cruel lessons to measure the distance which separates mere boasting from what Providence from Providence itself. In the month of November, 1813, 44,000 combatants, the debris of the disaster of Leipsic, halted before Mayence, and a few days later they retired before the immense armies of the Allies. Invasion, and how to repel it! The Emperor called out 550,000 men who ought to have been taken from the thirteen classes of 1806 to 1815; it was a magnificent plan, although much more tyrannical than any decree of the Convention; but it was only a chimera. A few thousands of conscripts to pour into the regiments that came from Spain, or to be commanded by invalided officers, this was all the nation could give. By the abuse which he had made of every military institution, NAPOLEON had broken their springs of action and rendered them sterile; they were now but machines incapable of working, or which had no material to work upon. The conscription was but weak divisions; the necessary fortresses were neither repaired nor munitioned—not a ditch round Paris, not a fortification erected to help the movements of the army; nothing, or almost nothing, at Bayonne, Saragossa, Rampont, or Lyons; scarcely any muskets, and those to whom the few remaining arms were given did not know how to load them. It was in the open field, with 60,000 or 70,000 heroes, harassed by fatigue, or scarcely arrived at manhood, that the Emperor, in 1814, stayed for three months the march of the 300,000 picked soldiers with which Europe pressed on exhausted France. When he returned from the Isle of Elba in 1815, he found himself in command of a military power far more numerous and far differently constituted. The return of prisoners, and of remote garrisons, had brought back to our ranks many inured veterans; and, with the exception of the deplored change of cockade, and of the unfortunate formation of the nation in arms, all the measures put in effect with regard to the army by the first restoration were worthy of eulogium. No disbanding, the Old Guard excepted; the regiments of the line remodeled under new numbers, but reformed with care; those of the infantry to the number of 105, in three battalions; fifty-six regiments of cavalry, fifteen of artillery, thus giving, counting the soldiers absent on furlough, an effective of 230,000 good and well-officered soldiers. By seeking out men who had quitted the service without a regular discharge; by demanding from the conscription a contingent; by making a call upon the National Guard, more in unison with the Supplementary Act, added to the Constitution ("*Pacte additionel*"), than with the past conduct and present manner of the Sovereign, NAPOLEON calculated on obtaining 300,000 combatants. However, notwithstanding his gigantic activity, his intellect, so inventive as profound, his imperious mode of proceeding, he was in three months only able to obtain an effective of 200,000 men. He brought together 124,000 of them to invade Belgium; superb troops, in excellent condition, and well commanded. It would be impossible to imagine a more accomplished chief of the staff than Marshal SOULT. Who was better able to lead a large body of infantry than GERARD, LORIAU or KELLER? What might not be expected of a cavalry commanded by PAJOL, KELLERMANN, EXCELMANS, MILHAUD and, to animate all, "the bravest of the brave" (NEY) was with the Emperor. But as M. THIERS has justly observed in this fine work which cannot be too much studied, the army was wanting in calmness and unity; the spirit of all the leaders did not respond to the ardour of the soldiers. Generals and officers met for the first time, or found themselves again together, after having been long separated, no less by distance than by ideas, and by habits contracted in different countries, and in different wars. The conduct of each man during the recent events was severely judged; each one observed and mistrusted the other. This absence of harmony, this want of good feeling, was manifested on every occasion during these short operations, and gave a peculiar stamp to the campaign of 1815. We will not enter into the inexhaustible controversy which this gloomy episode of our history has evoked, and which fifty years of discussion does not seem to have exhausted. We will give a resumé of it in a few words. Never did Captain Strike more truly at the weak point of his enemy's breastplate; never were chiefs or soldiers more valiant; never was disaster more complete. NAPOLEON's last army succumbed at Waterloo; with it were destroyed the military institutions of France. For the survivors of so many battles, for the glorious "brigands of the Loire," there remained but the task of giving an admirable example of patriotic resignation. They understood the necessity of sparing their country the evils which had always followed the disbanding of large bodies of troops, thus practising at the last hour the civic virtues which inspired the armies born of the revolution, and which their splendor as well as the calamities of the Empire had for a time thrown into the shade.

ANECDOTE OF JEFFERSON THE THIRD.—JEFFERSON the Third was too improvident and careless in business matters to succeed in management. This hereditary misfortune, which at last had the effect of closing his Washington theatre, was offset by the most complacent acceptation of reverses and the most genial disposition in the world. The day after his failure in Washington a personal friend called at JEFFERSON's house to offer condolence. He was informed that Mr. JEFFERSON had gone out fishing. Troubled with an apprehension lest JEFFERSON, overcome by his losses, had resolved to do away with himself, the friend went in search of him. He found the ex-manager quietly reclining on the banks of the Brandywine, his sketch-book lying open at his side and his fishing-rod stretched out over the water.

"Why, JEFFERSON," asked the friend in surprise, "how can you devote yourself to the pleasures of art when your recent misfortunes ought to be driving you to the verge of despair?"

"Confound it, old boy!" was the answer; "I have lost everything, and am so poor, as a consequence, that I can't even afford to let anything trouble me."—*From "Joseph Jefferson," in the August number of Lippincott's Magazine.*

WATERY STARS.—It seems that there are some really watery stars in the sky, though they are not in the constellation Aquarius. M. JANSSEN, whose forte is the new science of spectroscopy, and who has lately received a handsome prize for his discoveries therein, writes from the hills of India to the Paris Academy to say that he has detected aqueous vapor in some stellar atmosphere; that is to say, he has found that certain rays of light are wanting in certain stars, and that the missing beams are just those which he knows water intercepts. Curiously, the stars which exhibit this peculiarity are not the pale blue ones that we might suspect *prima facie* to be humid, but the red fiery-looking lights such as Betelgeux and Arcturus. The watery element would appear to exist in great quantity, judging from the amount of light it cuts off. JANSSEN, in 1866, made some experiments upon the absorption exercised by a column of water forty yards long; the stars' atmosphere examined intercept vastly more light than this rapid, and it is necessary to renew experiments through much greater thickness of damp air before any quantitative estimate of stellar humidity can be formed. Saturn, the Roman saturnine, thinks he has detected water in the neighborhood of the spots on the sun.—*Once a Week.*

ANNEXATION OF THE WEST INDIES.—Leaving the North, we find Cuba in the convulsion of insurrection, the prelude to its ultimate destiny; Mexico, almost ready for the protectorate which will be synonymous with its incorporation; and a large and growing party throughout the States of Central America urging the extension of the power and influence of the great Republic down to the Isthmus of Panama.

An eminent Professor of this country, just returned from a scientific exploration of the Island of St. Domingo, brings with him a letter from one of the most influential of its statesmen, in which he says: "Tell General GRANT that if he wants this island, he can have it."

Porto Rico will undoubtedly follow the lead of Cuba sooner or later, and wrest most of the Antilles it is but a question of time. The necessity for denominating the Caribbean Sea is absolute and immediate for this country, and the effort for the acquisition of St. Thomas by President JOHNSON was a far-sighted and statesmanlike movement. In the present condition of naval improvements, steam will exercise a controlling influence in the event of war; and a war vessel leaving our naval stations, even from as far South as Pensacola, will have exhausted much of her coal before reaching the meridian of St. Thomas; hence the necessity of a strong station and a post of supply and refit well up to windward. Nothing but the malignity of partisan opposition, joined perhaps to gross ignorance on the part of Congressional Committees, frustrated the appropriations necessary to carry into effect the treaty of cession negotiated with the Government of Denmark.—*From "Manifest Destiny," in the August number of Lippincott's Magazine.*

THE HORSE-CHESTNUT.—A correspondent of *Once a Week* points out that the suggested derivation of the name of the horse-chestnut, from the figure of a horse's foot seen at the intersection of the twigs, is more ingenious than correct. The prefix horse in a number of compound words means simply large or coarse, as horse-leech, horse-laugh, horse-fly, horse-radish, and it may in this sense be etymologically identified with gross. A horse-chestnut is therefore gross, large or coarse chestnut—the resemblance of the fruit to the sweet chestnut having doubtless suggested the name.—*Every Saturday.*

GOOD AS HIS WORD.—Captain SULLIVAN, of the ship *James Arnold*, will make good his word at leaving this port, that he would bring in 3,000 barrels of sperm oil. He has sent home 2,600 barrels, and had on board, the 26th of April last, 1,800 barrels. If he takes no more, his voyage will amount to at least one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; but he will take the other 400 barrels. This is his third voyage in this ship, the first two voyages having been remarkably successful. On the first, he filled all his casks, and had thrown over his try-works, when he spoke a vessel with 800 barrels on board of which he brought into port on deck, and had it tried out here. The bones of the head are now in one of the rooms of the City Library.—*New-Bedford (Mass.) Mercury, July 26.*

LIQUOR IN MASSACHUSETTS.

A Curious Meeting in Lowell—Liquor Dealers and Prohibition Men Coming Together.

A large meeting of persons interested in the enforcement of the Prohibitory Liquor law was held in Lowell, Mass., on Thursday evening. The call was issued conjointly by some of the principal liquor dealers of the city, who are not selling at present, and a number of the leading clergymen and prohibition men. Major EMERY, of the Merrimac House, made the principal address of the evening. He said that although many asserted that it was his desire to make the Prohibitory law odious and to kill the Republican Party, he had not come to the meeting for such a purpose; although he held a different opinion from some as to the effect of the law upon the morals of the people, and although he had been denounced as a murderer and destroyer of social happiness—he hoped he came with a spirit that would meet the approbation of those who loved good order and good government. He did not desire to "disturb the peace" by a nullification of the Liquor law. For twenty-five years of his life he had been a violator of the Liquor law of Massachusetts, because the law had not been strictly enforced. Only one year had he ever conformed to its requirements. The prohibitory law was again enacted, and he did not propose to be an outlaw for another twenty-five years, nor did he feel able to change his business at his age to another which he knew nothing of. And that was the reason he was advocating the enforcement of the law. He he'el could live without a bar. If the law was enforced he could not support his house, but he did not propose to violate the law. He believed the law could be enforced as well as the law against horse-stealing, though perhaps not so effectually. He did not know of a newspaper in the State which was not calling for the enforcement of the law. He believed that a large majority of the Democratic Party were in favor of the enforcement of the law, though they did not believe in its expediency; and he also estimated that two-thirds of the Republican Party were in favor of its rigid enforcement. He said the time had not come to enforce it. Only the politicians and a few in the trade. He then considered the reasons why the law was not enforced. In Boston, where the most liquor was sold, the Constabulary went daily from Faneuil-street to some obscure corner of the city and seized a few gallons of liquor, passing by hundreds of places where it was sold openly with the approbation and leave of Major JONES. There was beer sold and sold in Boston, 19 violation of the law, and with the approbation of the Chief of the Constabulary. Liquor enough, it turned off Cambridge Bridge, to make a passable cocktail of all Charles River. The hotels had stopped selling over their bars for the reason that Major JONES met them and desired it, because the pressure was so great against them; so that they had the exclusive retail trade of Boston. He believed that if Major JONES had requested them to stop entire. If they would have consented to that also. Major JONES sent word to the wholesale dealers that they must stop selling at a certain date, and they had notified the retail dealers to that effect, but before the time arrived Major JONES found that they could go on selling until further orders. This class was ready to stop at Major JONES' bidding. The only reason why the law was not enforced was because the men appointed to that duty did not enforce it. The beer saloons had all been closed after the large seizure in Boston, and the members of the trade had asked them to go on selling. The German dealers had assured him that it was their intention to keep closed until a change could be made in the law. He had been assured on the best authority that there were 60 beer saloons in Boston, and he believed most of them sold liquor as well as lager beer. In conclusion the speaker said that it couldn oly be determined whether the law had had the approbation and moral support of the people of the Commonwealth by a rigid, indiscriminate and fearless enforcement. He doubted whether a majority of the people of Massachusetts were in favor of this class of legislation, and he also doubted whether those who professed to believe that that was the case was really sincere. The Executive power of the State was consenting to the open sale of liquor by the Mayor of the city, by some whom the people had caused to be appointed to enforce it. He had no plans to suggest, for he was not a prohibitory law man; but he believed with General GRANT that the best way to get rid of an obnoxious law was to put it into execution. At the close of the address, the president of the Liquor sellers Major EMERY took his seat.

The next speaker presented was Rev. S. W. HANKS, who said that some remarkable facts had been given in regard to the prohibitory law. At a visit made by him to the State Constabulary office, he was informed that they had never had never countermanded any order to stop the sale of liquor. [A voice, "Then what did he return PRATT's beer for?"] But in the case of that dealer he had been obliged to return the beer because of its having been seized illegally, a process of law being instituted against him. He said Major JONES was endeavoring to perform his duty as far as possible. What if liquor was still sold? Everybody knew there were more rogues out of jail than in. The State Constable would look after the grog shops first, and the victimizing establishments, where he was sold with a man's dinner, afterwards. He did not believe what was said about liquor being obtainable everywhere in Boston to-day. For the first time in his life he had sought to purchase a drink there, and had failed to get a drop. [A voice, "They have got your pass, Sir, not a party knew me. The law he believed was being executed, and in time would be fully enforced, and he would be glad to cooperate with Major JONES, though perhaps with a different idea.

DR. DANIEL HOLT, of Lowell, read the following resolutions, which were subsequently adopted I lend closer attention:

Resolved, That when a law is enacted the whole people should yield obedience to it, in order to ascertain whether it is for the general welfare, or whether it will prove opposite to or detrimental to the public good.

Resolved, That we, the people of our State, have enacted a prohibitory law, and that we will use our influence with the City Government and State Constables in carrying it into effect.

Resolved, That we call on our State representatives, senators and Governor Council, who have promised a determination to discontinue the traffic, and to use their influence in closing all places of sale till a fair trial of the law shall be made, and the decision made by the people at the ballot box; because, if we do not, we shall acknowledgment, and we cordially invite all our fellow-citizens to join us in the work.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the chief executive of the Commonwealth, and all in proper authority, without fear or favor, to commence throughout the State a thorough and rigid enforcement of the law, or put upon the Statute Book, to the end that our may be a government of law and not of men.

Rev. HORACE JAMES, who was the next speaker introduced, said he was pleased to adopt the course of any man having right ideas, and he was a temperance man from principle. Was larger and older he lasted, because of the fearful effects of such stimulants which he had witnessed. He felt ready and willing to stand beside any one who should come there to speak the truth. He would not refuse to join with Major EMERY, if he anticipated its bringing any good results. The first principle of temperence was total abstinence, and no drinking man could preach temperance without perpetrating a wrong. In the case of the prohibitory law, he said that if the popular will had not been educated up to the standard of its support, it must go by the board for a time. He appealed to all to use the whole of their influence in behalf of total abstinence, and to spread all the principles of temperence. To take a mouthful of liquor was not a wrong in itself, and no law should render it impossible for people to purchase liquor to be judiciously used. He urged the meeting to support the resolutions—all of which he thought good except the second. He did not believe liquor dealers consented any moral obligation for demanding the enforcement of the law. He would go against a license law even, as an odious monopoly, since if liquor selling were right there ought to be no such thing. If it were wrong, it ought to be entirely prohibited.

Other remarks were made, when the meeting dissolved with hearty cheers.

Judge Black and the Surgeon—How Much are Professional Talent and Experience Worth?

From the Louisville Courier-Journal, July 28.

There has been a good deal of town gossip about the fee of $5,000 which Dr. YANDELL charged Judge BLACK for surgical attendance and service. The matter has at length got into the newspapers, and, though it is not of a kind which justifies discussion, being a purely business and personal affair, it suggests a word or two. Dr. YANDELL is an eminent surgeon. Judge BLACK is an eminent lawyer. Had Judge BLACK saved Dr. YANDELL a case in law worth $5,000, he would have charged a fee of $5,000. Dr. YANDELL saved Judge BLACK his arm and perhaps his life. He charged $5,000, and Judge BLACK is abundantly able to pay it.

In both cases the charge is made for professional talent, experience and reputation. We say nothing about the fact that the bills are to be paid by the Louisville and Nashville Railroad. Dr. YANDELL should charge that corporation no more than he should have charged Judge BLACK. In a matter of life and limb the value of medical service cannot be measured by dollars and cents. The surgeon should make his fee reasonable, and in order to determine this he must consider his patient's ability to pay. One man might be able to pay five thousand dollars as another to pay five hundred. The service rendered in either case may be inestimable. Judge BLACK was in imminent peril of his life. It is admitted that he was saved by the skill of Dr. YANDELL; and as Judge BLACK is a very rich man, and the Louisville and Nashville Railroad is a very rich corporation, Dr. YANDELL doubtless fixed his fee accordingly.

We see nothing extortionate in this. Of course the railroad desires to make its payment of damages as light as possible. That is natural enough. But professional skill is expensive, whether in surgery or in law, and if the case was reversed and it was Judge BLACK who had charged Dr. YANDELL $5,000 for saving him a valuable legal case, no one would think of calling it in question. As we said before, the matter is not suitable for newspaper discussion. We only refer to it here because it has got into the newspapers and become a matter of street gossip. These remarks seem, therefore, justified by the circumstance, if not by the occasion.

THE BLESSINGS OF WAR.

Senator Cole, of California, Describes Them at Length.

The Marysville (Cal.) *Appeal* publishes the following extracts from a private letter written by United States Senator CORNELIUS COLE to a citizen of that place, under date of July 7, 1869:

"Great pains have been taken of late to deny the report about a triple alliance. The rumor was allowed to run for a while as if to test the temper of the American people, and when that became known the disclaimer came limping along from the other side of the Atlantic, but without proper evidence of authenticity than the report itself. For my part, I believe consultations on the subject of a disturbance with this country have taken place between the three great Powers of Western Europe, but how far they have gone is another question. The war has probably been made clear for an alliance when needed, without actually agreeing upon the terms. England sees abundant grounds for apprehension in the almost unanimous rejection of the Beverly Johnson treaty. Spain is greatly exercised by the manifest sympathy of our people with the insurgents in Cuba; and France, situated directly between the two, would be likely to accept any association that might relieve her from the chagrin she still feels on account of her forced relinquishment of Mexico. The natural dislike of all these Powers toward our form of government, the rapid increase of our influence as a nation, and our unexpected emergence with undiminished strength from a great civil war, lead them to look upon us with a jealous eye. We ought not to ignore these facts, but contemplate a possible disturbance with as little reserve as do those concerned in it. There is no better way to avoid difficulty than to be prepared for it. Even though a triple alliance should never have been thought of, all must concede that it is liable to occur upon the first blush of war with either of these Governments.

Our policy in such an emergency would be plain enough. Our position might not, after all, be very disastrous to us. It would not require large armies to occupy and hold both Canada and Cuba. A small proportion of our experienced citizen soldiers, added to the regular army, would suffice for such duties. Enough for the people would come to Canada in a single week. Our ports could then be closed without much addition to the materials for defence already on hand. Monitors and ironclads planted at the mouth of every harbor would effectually prevent invasion, and we could be carried on mainly by private enterprise. The Government would only need to issue letters of marque to make the contest more disastrous to our enemies. Their commerce would vanish from the face of the ocean as speedily as did ours upon the appearance of the Alabama, and a few fast powers would control the high seas. It is true our commerce would share the same fate, but ours has not yet recovered from the effects of those British cruisers, and a war would afford an opportunity to start even again.

Our resources are more abundant and diversified than those of any other Power. The Empire of China is not better prepared to maintain an independent existence than we are. By shutting ourselves up for a time we should learn to be more self-reliant. At present we are importing largely from Europe all sorts of manufactures and costly articles, and the balance of trade is well year heavy against us. All the gold and silver we produce, and many of our Government securities, go abroad to pay for fancy fabrics of one sort or another, but of little real utility. From a third to a half of our bonds are now owned by foreigners, and it is not a difficult mathematical problem to determine when, at the present rate of exportation, all will be so owned. When that time arrives our people will find themselves pretty much in the condition of diggers and delvers for others. A war would remedy this tendency of things, and how, anything else can. Our habits of extravagance contracted during the rebellion can only be corrected in some such harsh way. A foreign war would be against the present interests of the great commercial cities, and of course the press of that interest would be strongly opposed, but the great masses of the people, the agriculturists and manufacturers, the real producers and taxpayers, have less reason to dread it. Though we have unsettled and exceedingly unmoving intercourse with Great Britain, I have little expectation after all that a war will spring out of them. The disclaimer of a triple alliance by the British Press is some proof that there is no immediate danger; but our greatest security is in the martial spirit of our people, and next to that in the vulnerability of our possible enemy. I should not think twice about a speedy settlement with England were it not for the generous character of our Government, which is always returning good for evil and never remembering the law of retaliation. As it is, the chances are we shall adjust and settle, forgive and forget."

Brutal Murder of a Sailor in Maine.

From the Calais (Me.) Advertiser, July 27.

A sailor named JOHN LOCKWOOD, of Dover, N. H., aged about 42, a steward on board the *Alexander Billikin*, of Boston, lying at Waite's wharf, was most brutally murdered by a number of young roughs, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock on Saturday night. It seems there were a number of them congregated on the bridge near Brown's Corner, and as the man came along some of them spoke to him, when he, in a friendly manner, stepped up to one of them and held out his hands to shake hands with him, and one of the crowd struck him in the face; several others struck at him. The man then turned and ran down the wharf to his vessel, the crowd pursuing like a pack of hounds on a trail, and striking for his blood. He got aboard his vessel out of their reach. The crowd then returned up the wharf to their place of rendezvous and lay in wait for another victim, but finding that none came, they sent two of their gang to decoy this man up the wharf out of sight. They coaxed him that they were his friends and no one should molest him. He then returned up the wharf, one of these pretended friends on either side of him. As he approached the main body of the crowd—for part of them had secreted themselves behind the horse shed, between the railroad track and Depot-street—and was nearly in front of GILBERT DRAGAN's house and about half way up the hill, they sang out, "Here he comes!" and instantly the whole mass rushed upon him from behind and before. Finding himself thus surrounded he drew his knife and acted on the defensive. His cowardly assassins, seeing he was armed, dodged behind piles of lumber and the corners of houses, and did not dare to approach him. At last one of them picked up a stone, and hurled it at him, that struck him on the back of the head with it, and felled him to the ground. Then the whole gang fell upon the prostrate man, and pounded and kicked him in the most brutal and outrageous manner imaginable. The whole head was one mass of bruises, and a sharp cutting instrument was made near the left eye over an inch deep, and his face was otherwise shocking ly bruised and disfigured. The cut on the back of his head, which the doctors in their post-mortem examination say was the cause of his death, was over an inch and a quarter deep. The people living in the house adjacent and near the scene heard the man's cries of murder, and got out of their beds, opened their windows and looked out, and could see and hear the crowd kicking the man. One of them, when the man ceased crying out, and some of them said he had got enough, and to let him alone, turned him over so as to get at his face, gave him another kick, and said he ought to be in — before this. Some of the people called "Police" from their windows, and the crowd fled in different directions on hearing the footsteps of the Police coming on the sidewalk, leaving the man lying on the road. The man made out by some means to get aboard his vessel, and fell down on the deck, where he lay groaning. The Captain got up and sent for a doctor. Dr. SETHOUR went to him and examined and dressed his wounds, and left him. Next morning he called again and dressed his wounds, and left him in a comfortable state. Shortly after he fainted, and the Captain, by the aid of some cold water, brought him to again; but, finding he was very weak and evidently sinking, he sent for a doctor again, but before he got there the man died. The Coroner's jury was summoned to investigate the matter.

The body presented a most shocking appearance. The medical evidence, after examination of the brain, was that death was caused by hemorrhage from the effects of blows by a blunt instrument or a stone. DAVID BUTTERFIELD and PATRICK and JERRY HICKEY were arrested and are in the lock-up. Witnesses prove that a crowd of twenty or thirty attacked LOCKWOOD. Some saw a dozen men kicking and beating him at once, yet no one interfered to save him.

Recent Changes in the Climate of Texas.

From the New-Orleans News, July 25.

The climate of Texas seems of late years to have been in some respects materially changed. Formerly the rain-fall was so slight throughout a great portion of that State as to make agricultural pursuits exceedingly uncertain. Even in the most favored regions there was an insufficiency of rain, except during rarely recurring seasons. This fact has hitherto been a great drawback on the prosperity of Texas, and has made it a herding rather than an agricultural country. The peculiar grass with which the State abounds makes its prairies the best natural pasturage region in the world. But even grass will not grow without rain, and cattle will die if their thirst cannot be appeased. Frequently vast herds have perished on the parched up prairies because the clouds refused their blessed showers, and no sufficient supply of water could be obtained by any natural or artificial process. But since the change in the course of the Gulf Stream has been noted, water-bearing clouds float away in rich abundance over those portions of Texas where before they were scarcely ever seen, and upon that extended district which has hitherto been regarded as little better than a desert, begins to blossom as the rose under the influence of the heavenly dispensement. There appears to be a complete change in the general scenery of all Western Texas. Where, before, the sky hung like a heated dome above the land, its intense blue reddened at the horizon as by the rays of a fiery furnace and changed at the zenith into inconsiderate brightness, now, clouds variegate the face of the upper deep and descend in fatness on the soil.

These changes have been so great as to entirely overset the calculations of those who have settled on river bottoms and low portions of the country. Recently the rains have been so great as to deluge extensive regions, sweeping away habitations, fences, crops and hands and destroying, in many instances, human life. If the change in the rain-fall prove permanent, periodical overflows will have to be provided against, and higher lands, heretofore held to be of but slight value, will come into request. Be this as it may, a serious calamity has fallen on the people of a portion of Texas, and we trust that a generous effort for their relief will be made throughout the land.

A MORMON SENSATION.

The Sons of Joseph Smith Propose to Re-establish Brigham's Pet Institution.

From the Utah Daily Reporter, July 24.

A few days ago we mentioned the fact that WILLIAM ALEXANDER and DAVID HYRUM, the younger sons of JOSEPH SMITH, the Mormon Prophet, were on their way to Salt Lake City to set up the standard of the reorganized or anti-polygamy church. A singular interest attaches to the name of DAVID HYRUM. A few months before JOSEPH's death, he stated that "the man was not born who was to lead this people, but of EMMA SMITH should be born a son who would succeed in the Presidency after a season of disturbance." JOSEPH SMITH was killed June 27, 1844, and the son, named from his father's direction DAVID HYRUM, was born at the Mansion House, in Nauvoo, on the 18th of the succeeding November. This prophecy is secretly dear to thousands of Mormons who are weary of the tyranny of BRIGHAM YOUNG, and yet hold to their faith in JOSEPH SMITH. A few days ago two young men reached Salt Lake City, and soon called upon BRIGHAM YOUNG and announced their intention to organize their church at once, asking permission to defend their faith in the Tabernacle, proposing to argue with the Brighamites from the original Mormon books. We have but scant reports of the interview, but it is said it was very warm. BRIGHAM YOUNG was very angry at their presumption, and denied them the use of the Tabernacle, sending word at the same time to the Bishops to shut them out of the ward meeting-houses. The brothers, at one point of the conversation, denied that their father ever practiced polygamy, citing their mother's testimony, to which BRIGHAM retorted that their mother "was a liar, and had been proven a thief," with much more of the sort. Be it remembered that the lady thus spoken of is the *Electa Ogria*, or "Elect Lady of God," in Mormon theology, who was the glory of their earlier history. Like Pope Pagan, of the *Pilgrim's Progress*, BRIGHAM doubtless knows his nails in vain rage that he cannot, as in former times, let loose the vengeance of his Nauvoo Legion upon these mechanics, and crush the rebellion in blood. If his power were as great as the high seas. It is true our commerce would share the same fate, but ours has not yet recovered from the effects of those British cruisers, and a war would afford an opportunity to start even again.

Our resources are more abundant and diversified than those of any other Power. The Empire of China is not better prepared to maintain an independent existence than we are. By shutting ourselves up for a time we should learn to be more self-reliant. At present we are importing largely from Europe all sorts of manufactures and costly articles, and the balance of trade is well year heavy against us. All the gold and silver we produce, and many of our Government securities, go abroad to pay for fancy fabrics of one sort or another, but of little real utility. From a third to a half of our bonds are now owned by foreigners, and it is not a difficult mathematical problem to determine when, at the present rate of exportation, all will be so owned. When that time arrives our people will find themselves pretty much in the condition of diggers and delvers for others. A war would remedy this tendency of things, and how, anything else can. Our habits of extravagance contracted during the rebellion can only be corrected in some such harsh way. A foreign war would be against the present interests of the great commercial cities, and of course the press of that interest would be strongly opposed, but the great masses of the people, the agriculturists and manufacturers, the real producers and taxpayers, have less reason to dread it. Though we have unsettled and exceedingly unmoving intercourse with Great Britain, I have little expectation after all that a war will spring out of them. The disclaimer of a triple alliance by the British Press is some proof that there is no immediate danger; but our greatest security is in the martial spirit of our people, and next to that in the vulnerability of our possible enemy. I should not think twice about a speedy settlement with England were it not for the generous character of our Government, which is always returning good for evil and never remembering the law of retaliation. As it is, the chances are we shall adjust and settle, forgive and forget."

Brutal Murder of a Sailor in Maine.

From the Calais (Me.) Advertiser, July 27.

A sailor named JOHN LOCKWOOD, of Dover, N. H., aged about 42, a steward on board the *Alexander Billikin*, of Boston, lying at Waite's wharf, was most brutally murdered by a number of young roughs, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock on Saturday night. It seems there were a number of them congregated on the bridge near Brown's Corner, and as the man came along some of them spoke to him, when he, in a friendly manner, stepped up to one of them and held out his hands to shake hands with him, and one of the crowd struck him in the face; several others struck at him. The man then turned and ran down the wharf to his vessel, the crowd pursuing like a pack of hounds on a trail, and striking for his blood. He got aboard his vessel out of their reach. The crowd then returned up the wharf to their place of rendezvous and lay in wait for another victim, but finding that none came, they sent two of their gang to decoy this man up the wharf out of sight. They coaxed him that they were his friends and no one should molest him. He then returned up the wharf, one of these pretended friends on either side of him. As he approached the main body of the crowd—for part of them had secreted themselves behind the horse shed, between the railroad track and Depot-street—and was nearly in front of GILBERT DRAGAN's house and about half way up the hill, they sang out, "Here he comes!" and instantly the whole mass rushed upon him from behind and before. Finding himself thus surrounded he drew his knife and acted on the defensive. His cowardly assassins, seeing he was armed, dodged behind piles of lumber and the corners of houses, and did not dare to approach him. At last one of them picked up a stone, and hurled it at him, that struck him on the back of the head with it, and felled him to the ground. Then the whole gang fell upon the prostrate man, and pounded and kicked him in the most brutal and outrageous manner imaginable. The whole head was one mass of bruises, and a sharp cutting instrument was made near the left eye over an inch deep, and his face was otherwise shockingly bruised and disfigured. The cut on the back of his head, which the doctors in their post-mortem examination say was the cause of his death, was over an inch and a quarter deep. The people living in the house adjacent and near the scene heard the man's cries of murder, and got out of their beds, opened their windows and looked out, and could see and hear the crowd kicking the man. One of them, when the man ceased crying out, and some of them said he had got enough, and to let him alone, turned him over so as to get at his face, gave him another kick, and said he ought to be in — before this. Some of the people called "Police" from their windows, and the crowd fled in different directions on hearing the footsteps of the Police coming on the sidewalk, leaving the man lying on the road. The man made out by some means to get aboard his vessel, and fell down on the deck, where he lay groaning. The Captain got up and sent for a doctor. Dr. SETHOUR went to him and examined and dressed his wounds, and left him. Next morning he called again and dressed his wounds, and left him in a comfortable state. Shortly after he fainted, and the Captain, by the aid of some cold water, brought him to again; but, finding he was very weak and evidently sinking, he sent for a doctor again, but before he got there the man died. The Coroner's jury was summoned to investigate the matter.

The body presented a most shocking appearance. The medical evidence, after examination of the brain, was that death was caused by hemorrhage from the effects of blows by a blunt instrument or a stone. DAVID BUTTERFIELD and PATRICK and JERRY HICKEY were arrested and are in the lock-up. Witnesses prove that a crowd of twenty or thirty attacked LOCKWOOD. Some saw a dozen men kicking and beating him at once, yet no one interfered to save him.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

A Paris newspaper manager and two editors have been sentenced to 4 months' imprisonment each, and to pay a heavy fine, for publishing "*canards*."

Mr. GLADSTONE's health has improved, and he is again in London.

The Oxford crew have gone to Pangborne on the Thames to practice, where they get deeper water and a longer course than they had at Putney. It is reported that the Harvard four weigh four pounds more than the Oxfords.

NAPOLEON is severely criticised by parties in Spain for his lenity toward the Carlist conspirators on the frontier. Paris dispatches indicate that the Carlist insurrection is not over.

The *Presse* newspaper of Vienna states that all the official dispatches with Prussia are to be published by VON BEUST, to justify his assertion recently made to the Hungarian delegation.

GENERAL.

Governor CLAFLIN, of Massachusetts, has just sent congratulatory messages over the new French Cable, in behalf of the people of the State, to the directors of the line, and to ROBERT STAHN, Jr., "Secretary of the Board of French Atlantic Telegraph Company, London, England," acknowledging the friendly sentiments of the Board.

General SCHOFIELD was entertained at a complimentary dinner in Denver, on Friday evening, by the prominent citizens of the place; and General HANCOCK and staff had a public reception on the same day in Sioux City, Iowa, on his arrival from the Upper Mississippi. The Mayor of the city made an address, to which General HANCOCK replied.

Three Italian boys, strolling musicians, in New-Haven, Conn., got into a fight with a party of "city" boys on Friday, and one of them, becoming enraged at the smashing of his violin, stabbed the first boy he got hold of with a small jack-knife, and inflicted dangerous wounds. The musicians then fled, but they were soon found by the Police, and the boy who committed the deed was locked up. He gave his name as ANGELENE PRESTO, and said he had been away from Italy but a year.

The caterpillars are doing considerable damage to the trees on the Boston Common. On Friday a steam fire engine played a powerful stream on several of the trees, and thus thousands of the worms were destroyed.

OLIVER A. MORGAN has been found guilty of murder in the first degree, in the Criminal Court in Terre Haute, Ind., and was on Thursday sentenced to be hanged on the 1st of September next. To the question of the Judge, after he had announced the verdict by the jury, if he had anything to say, the prisoner replied: "May it please the Court, I have nothing further to say, except that the case has been hurried from the first, and that, too, amid great excitement, so that a fair trial was hardly possible."

LOUISA DOWDALL, a girl 13 years old, residing at Norwich Town, Conn., discovered, as she was getting out of her bed the other morning, a spotted adder—one of the most poisonous of the snake creation—on the floor of the room. With great coolness and courage, she hurried down stairs for an ax, and came back and killed the snake before it had time to strike at her.

The delegation from the New-Orleans Chamber of Commerce in the Chinese Labor Convention, recently held in Memphis, Tenn., have made their report to the Chamber. They decline to indorse the entire proceedings and the action finally taken in the Convention, and simply say that they are unanimous in the opinion that much good must result from this gathering. They commend the subject of immigration and Chinese labor to the Chamber and the citizens of Louisiana, and suggest that public meetings for information and discussion be held, and that organizations be formed similar to the "Commissioners of Immigration" in other States.

It is estimated that the expenses of the Spanish in Cuba for August will amount to $2,200,000; for the War Department, $800,000; Navy Department, $350,000; Civil Department, $750,000; miscellaneous, $200,000.

Advices from Mexico to the 23d state that an insurrection had broken out among the Indians in Yucatan; that the volcanic eruption in Colima was growing worse; and that the Puebla Railroad will open in September.

Burlington, Vt., had a holiday on Friday. The occasion was the arrival of General SHERIDAN. The Mayor, Common Council and "citizens generally" took part in the celebration of the event. To-morrow evening the General will have a reception, and will listen to an address of welcome, which will be delivered by Senator EDMUNDS.

A Court of Inquiry will convene at the Portsmouth, N. H., Navy-yard, on the 3d of August, to investigate the charges of cruelty to seamen, alleged against Lieutenant-Commander ZERLEY, of the *Pawnee*. The Court will be composed of Captain GUEST and Commanders TEMPLE, WELLS and MCCORKLEY.

A man named ALVIN BLAKE, of Boston, under arrest at Portland, Me., charged with robbing Adams Express Company of $700, claims to be one of the New-York Ocean Bank robbers, but his story is not believed.

A revolutionary soldier named JAMES MOORE, died at Perry, Me., on the 20th of July, aged 93 years. He was a Captain, and at one time was a prisoner in the hands of the British, and confined in Fort Gibraltar. He had been a member of the Legislature of Ohio, and State Senator from Medina County, Ohio.

It has been decided to hold the Mississippi Valley Commercial Convention at Keokuk, Iowa, on the 7th of September.

The trustees of the Indiana State University have decided to purchase the cabinet of the late ROBERT DALE OWEN. The cabinet is one of the finest in the country, containing 20,000 specimens.

Two more cases of death through the carelessness of druggists' clerk's have just occurred. In Baltimore a child has been killed, according to the verdict of the Coroner's jury, "by opium or morphine, administered through the gross carelessness of the apothecary;" and in Boston an infant "by repeated poisonous doses of laudanum carelessly dispensed for paregoric," by a druggist's clerk. In the last-mentioned case the Coroner's jury affirm that "the custom of allowing boys or other unqualified persons to act as dispensing clerks is one fraught with danger to the community, and should be discontinued by the profession at large."

By the arrival at this port of the steamship *Alabe*, from Aspinwall July 23, we are in receipt of late news from Central and South America. The most important intelligence contained in full elsewhere) gives particulars of a revolution in Nicaragua, headed by General JEREZ and Ex-President MARTINEZ against the Guzman Government. The rebels had taken the Department of Leon, including the city of that name, and all the other towns to the Pacific coast, with the port of Corinth, at which the steamer touches. The up mails from Panama by last steamer were all seized at Corinth. MARTINEZ was unable to take any active part in the movement, being ill at his farm near Leon. JEREZ had placed himself at the head of the rebel army, numbering about 400 men, and had appointed DON FRANCISCO BAGA Provisional President, residing at Leon, the headquarters of the insurgents. The programme of the revolutionists was one demanding general reform.

There is authority for stating that at a meeting of prominent New-Yorkers at Saratoga recently, WILLIAM B. ASTOR expressed his intention to complete the Washington National Monument at his own expense.

Suit has been commenced against the City of Albany by the owners of the property on the piers damaged by the freshet last Winter. The aggregate of the claims amounts to $157,000. Unless settled, the suit will be tried in November next.

Crop reports from Western New-York are favorable. It is expected that the wheat yield will be a third larger than usual, and should the weather hold fair long enough, an enormous hay crop is expected.

It is stated that the damage done by the Texas floods in Fayette County has been overestimated. One-fifth only of the entire crop of the county has been destroyed, and no contributions of money or supplies are needed. The cases of real suffering are among the negroes, and for these, it is asserted, there is plenty of relief in the shape of work, for which they are offered good shelter and pay.

The evening races at Saratoga yesterday were very interesting. *Filey*, which sold badly in the pool, beat the favorite, *Biddy Malone*, and nearly distanced *General Scott*, in the four-year-old sweepstakes. *Reinhold* won the three-quarter mile dash in 1:12.

The Internal Revenue officers of the Third Collection District seized a large quantity of tobacco and cigars at the manufactory of Owen J. McCUE, No. 566 Atlantic-avenue, yesterday.

Hoboken and the lower part of the City of New-York is said to be flooded with smuggled cigars, which were brought hither by the steamer *City of Mexico*. Pure Havanas, it is said, to the number of 100,000, have been purchased by dealers at fifty cents the pound.

The match between the Marylands and Mutuals yesterday resulted unexpectedly in favor of the Southern nine. Score, 32 to 27.

The tailors' strike continues. No disturbance occurred yesterday about the tailors' shops which do not favor the strike. The Police will not interfere with the movements of the strikers so long as they keep the peace.

The Harvard Rowing.

There are plenty of aspirants, just now, for boating honors, and a great many amateur crews would perhaps like a brush with the "International Four" on their return from England. This number may or may not be increased when it is known that the Harvard boats never give or take a challenge except to or from a college crew. However, for the past twelve years they have been in the habit of contending for the regatta prizes offered by the neighboring City of Boston on the Fourth of July and other occasions. In these contests they have pulled hard and close races with the BIGLENS, the *Roxbs* crew, the WARNE, and other distinguished professionals, where, also, amateurs have also had, and have sometimes accepted, the opportunity of contending. The Harvard four have twice in succession of late beaten the *Roxbs* crew; and, accordingly, ambitious amateurs who cannot wait for a Fourth of July match with the Harvards at Boston, might be able to satisfy themselves in the interim with the *Roxbs* crew, who, we think, would give them good preliminary exercise.

The Harvard stroke and style are so peculiar—the students of that college being accustomed to train and practice according to their own theories—that the result of a direct matching of it against the "Oxford style," which is familiar in this country as well as England, will be looked for with the greatest interest. The difference, as we need hardly say, is not in mere quickness of stroke, but in *character* of stroke. The Harvards will not pull more than 45 to the minute in the great race, while, on other systems, though the average is less, yet some crews often pull from 46 to 50. That mere quickness though, other things being equal, will not always decide a race, may be seen in the victories won by WALTER BROWN over HASELL. The Harvard style of rowing makes enormous demands on leg-muscle and muscle of the loins, and *comparatively* less on the arm-muscle than the ordinary style; and hence in the comparative measurements often made of muscular development, between university crews, the Harvards almost invariably show less arm-muscle than crews whom they easily defeat. Indeed, the striking difference between the sweeping and long pull, and hasty recover of the ordinary stroke, bringing enormous work on the arms, and the short, peculiar Harvard pull, with its vicious jerk at the finish and then "the easy recover," is so great that differences in muscular development of particular parts, under the two systems, is not remarkable. The Harvard stroke is said not to give so much herculean arms as a symmetry of muscle on legs, arms, chests and loins. The Yale students, while usually following the approved or ordinary stroke, have differed in the quickness of it in different years, according to the individual ideas of their various trainers—for, in this College, the crews are generally taught by some experienced person, not a member of the College, on his system. And, by the way, in a communication, of which copies seem to have been sent to most of the papers, one of these trainers, Mr. WOOD, complains that JOSHUA WARD did not set his Yale pupils as fast a stroke as he (WOOD) had given them some years before; and he even intimates that the Harvard stroke was a device of his own, taught to Yale students five years ago, but now taken away from them. The error lies, obviously, in regarding as the only peculiarity of the Harvard stroke its *quickness*—whereas this stroke may or may not be quick, and is wholly different, as we have seen, from the stroke to which Mr. WOOD alludes, and probably the Harvards would admit that he and many others inculcate a greater number of strokes to the minute than they row. The New-York correspondent of the Hartford *Evening Post* says, in speaking of the performance of the Harvard four in their rowing exercise, while in our city:

"The stroke was new to most of us, and from the verandas of the club-house, at least, it was studied critically. I hear but one opinion of it, with which I fully agree—that it is not only the perfection of 'style' in rowing, but at common sense. * * It may not be rapid (though of course it is, in a race,) but it is constant—inexorable, and demands the perfection of excellence in wind and limb, for its proper performance."

The hardest test, however, for the Harvard style is yet to come, in the match with Oxford, where, against the four best men picked from two thousand, the Harvard four have only the peculiar stroke of their own College to give them hope of success. The English papers, meanwhile, are now beginning to comment on the same novelties of stroke and style that we have been discussing on this side of the water.

The Close of the Session in England.

The English Parliamentary session is now virtually at an end. Barely half a dozen working days remain, and as there are many details of important Government measures yet to be revised, there is no time left for legislation or even for the discussion of general questions. The time is past for the House of Lords to receive any bills initiated in the Lower Chamber, and the "Massacre of the Innocents"—as the compulsory withdrawal or summary extinction of bills not supported either by Government or strong party interests is aptly termed—has already taken place. Parliament is to be prorogued on the 10th of August, and the few remaining days of the session will be fully occupied in passing the necessary business measures through their remaining stages with all possible rapidity, and the ventilation of a few crotchets of private members who are pledged to their constituents to bring some impracticable question or other before Parliament, and who are bound to redeem their pledges, even if they only carry them out by talking for ten minutes to an audience composed of half a dozen minor officials and a knot of sleepy members on each side of the House. Mr. GILPIN's motion for the abolition of the death penalty—which comes on regularly at the tag end of every session—has once more come up, and has been rejected by about the usual majority; and one more desperate effort has been made to force the ocean penny-postage question upon the consideration of Government. The reply was that "as soon as the public business permitted," it would be considered—the Marquis of HARTINGTON not even caring, at this period of the session, to meet the motion with more than the most hackneyed of Governmental evasions. Even that standing topic for Parliamentary discussion—agrarian outrages in Ireland—failed to produce anything like the excitement which it usually does.

The fact is that the entire session has been devoted to one thing—the disestablishment and disendowment of the Irish Church. The Budget—notwithstanding one or two decidedly exceptional features in Mr. LOWE's financial scheme—was voted almost without discussion, and no other measure of any real importance—if we except the bill for the compulsory purchase of the telegraph lines throughout Great Britain—has been placed on the statute book during the session. Foreign affairs have been thrown aside altogether, and even matters of vital interest to England—such as the Central Asian question—have scarcely obtained a hearing. The working classes, who have undoubtedly aided Mr. GLADSTONE in the accomplishment of his self-imposed task with regard to the Irish Church, on the ground that it was a question that must necessarily be cleared out of the way before their official claims could be brought before Parliament, have been unable to obtain a full and free discussion for the very moderate Trades' Union bill introduced by Messrs. HUGHES and MUNDELLA. The supplies have been voted and the Irish Church bill has been passed—and that is all. The great and pressing questions of the day, such as the relations of capital and labor, the necessity for some comprehensive scheme of popular education, military reorganization and naval reconstruction, have all been either passed over altogether or dismissed with a hurried and unsatisfactory debate. Mr. GLADSTONE has achieved a great triumph, and the grant of an installment of long-delayed justice has been consummated. But the session has been to a great extent wasted, and when Parliament reassembles, six months hence, Mr. GLADSTONE and his colleagues will find an accumulation of arrears, in the way of absolutely necessary legislation that will give them ample scope for the display of practical statesmanship and the employment of their overwhelming Parliamentary majority.

Another Railroad Accident—A Suggestion.

Our columns yesterday morning contained a brief report of an accident on the Camden and Amboy Railroad, near Newark, which narrowly escaped the magnitude and horrors of the Mast Hope disaster. As the train from Washington, Friday afternoon, with hundreds of passengers on board, came thundering round a short curve, at the rate of forty miles an hour, it struck a hand-car loaded with rails and ties, that was standing across the track. The hand-car was dashed into a thousand fragments, while the rails were bent and twisted in every conceivable shape, the "sow-catcher" was broken and the track torn up. The train crashed forward over the ties for some distance, until the engine, tender, and the two forward cars were upset, and the whole train thrown off the track.

Fortunately, nobody was hurt, as the accident occurred at a point where there was neither ditch nor embankment to obstruct the engine. But how did it happen that half a dozen ignorant laborers were permitted to go with a hand-car on the track of an advancing train? Here was carelessness amounting to criminality; and yet, as nobody was killed outright, we shall have no legal investigation of the affair, and the animadversions of the Press will pass unheeded by the managers of the railroad. Is this always to be so? Railroad disasters that seem to be justly attributable to criminal carelessness, have become so frequent as to demand legislative interference in some form. Why would it not be well for Congress to take the matter in hand, and, if no better plan is suggested, appoint a Commissioner of Railroads with power to investigate and prosecute? There is no good reason why the system applied to travel by water should not be applied to travel by rail. Since the supervision of steam-boilers was taken in hand by Congress the number of accidents on our lakes and rivers has greatly diminished, and there is every reason to believe that like good results would follow the application of a similar system to our railroads.

A Triumph of Law.

A few weeks ago a ruffian, detected by a policeman in severely beating a weak woman on the public street, was arrested and was being conveyed to prison when the officer was attacked by a mob of like ruffians, pelted with stones, and finally collared and choked by a powerful fellow—a ringleader of the mob. After repeatedly warning the ruffian to desist,—after striking him several times with his revolver in default of a club, the policeman finally placed the pistol to the heart of the man who was gradually suffocating him and fired. The death of the ruffian followed, and the policeman, reporting at his station, surrendered himself to trial by the civil law of the land. The evidence on the part of the prosecution was unsatisfactory, and the Attorney for the Commonwealth sought to convict the prisoner of manslaughter only. On the trial which followed, and which has only just concluded, the evidence for the prosecution was not only unsatisfactory but contradictory. On the contrary, the evidence for the defence was consistent; the statements and the demeanor of the prisoner in giving testimony in his own behalf, a late wise provision of the law which is a positive and assuring evidence of our advancing civilization, were of themselves enough to convince the jury of the truth of self-defence set up in his behalf. The evidence of Officer CAMPBELL, as delivered in Court, is in every respect, except language, identically the same as the statement made on the night of the riot; its truth cannot be doubted by any person who heard it. The forbearance of the officer, and the aggressiveness of LONG were fully proved in justification of the homicide.

The result of the trial in the acquittal of the officer has more than a passing moral significance which it would be wise that the savage element of the City should not mistake. The vindication of order announced therein by the Court, the purity of the law thereby established, are results which an ordinary trial would have revealed with equal clearness; but there are few trials which would have developed as plainly the love of law and order which the people of this community bear. The authority of which the prisoner was a part and a representative is an unpopular one for many reasons—political and otherwise—yet the exercise of its power in a violent method resulting in death is upheld, and applauded because of the innate love of right which the people feel. The Court-room was crowded with men who hold the Police in dread or contempt,—a large proportion of those present represented the class to which the dead man belonged, yet the verdict that acquitted the prisoner was applauded, not from sympathy with the prisoner, but respect for law and the authority which enforces it. Such a result is one which may properly be considered a triumph of law.

International Detraction.

The *Saturday Review* treated its readers to an exceedingly witty article on the proceedings before Judge DOWLING in the Mumler case. We should be the last to deny that spiritual photographers were fair game, and especially so in combination with legal proceedings. But why should the *Review* have made that case an occasion even incidentally for a sneer at legal proceedings in this country in general? It might have said that the case was conducted with "latitude of evidence and exuberance of oratory," but why should it add to this the words "which marks legal proceedings in America, especially when the public take strong interest in them?" It might have stated that MUMLER and his counsel both addressed the Court, but why should it say that "in order to get all possible talk out of a trial, it is the custom in the United States to allow both the defendant and his counsel to address the Court"—a custom which we certainly never heard of until we saw this statement in the *Saturday Review*? Is the *cacoethes loquendi* so utterly unknown in England that the *Review* needed to charge us with having a peculiar desire to "get all possible talk out of a trial?"

If it is, how will the *Saturday Review* account for Miss SHEDDEN's twenty-one days of talk before the House of Lords in her lawsuit? Or, if we grant that an exception can be claimed for her, because she is a woman, what shall be said of Mr. SHEDDEN, who followed the twenty-one days' deluge with a lesser flood of a day and a half? Or take yet another, not so notorious, case, perhaps on that account a fairer example—a little case before one of the lower Courts in England, for the breach of an agreement to repair a house. The reporter says: "This trumpery case was begun at twelve o'clock and finished at twenty minutes to ten. Mr. JOLLIFFE exhausted an hour and five minutes in opening it, and fifty minutes in reply, thus occupying nearly two hours, or twenty per cent of the time spent on the whole case." Perhaps, however, it would be hardly fair to Mr. JOLLIFFE to say that he was, "as in the cloisters in England," actuated by a "desire to get all possible talk out of the trial," for he seems, from the report, to have talked under some disadvantages. For instance, he had spoken to the jury of a decision in a case called the "Case of the Six Carpenters," when he was interrupted by the Judge, and the following colloquy occurred:

His Honor—Tell the jury what year that case was decided in.

Mr. Jolliffe—That can't affect the decision.

His Honor—Well, tell them. Tell them that it was some centuries ago. (Derisive laughter in Court.)

Mr. Jolliffe—That does not for one single moment alter the case. (To the jury:) It is right and proper for me to tell you, and I hope and trust that I shall be allowed to make my observations without the slightest unnecessary interruption or endeavor—that is quoting this case I am quoting one of the leading cases of the land as bearing upon this point.

Juryman (of an inquiring turn of mind)—We should like to know what year 'twas decided in.

His Honor—Oh, never mind, that makes no difference; it is a very old case, but it is established law.

Mr. JOLLIFFE, not disheartened by this flank attack from the Bench, was proceeding with his six carpenters in good order, when a more dangerous attack followed.

His Honor—Where is the case to be found?

Mr. Jolliffe—In Law Terms.

His Honor—No, it is not. (Mr. JOLLIFFE begins to search a large volume of law.) Here, let me have the book; perhaps you haven't looked into it before, and I'll tell you.

Mr. Jolliffe (not quite certain, but near the mark.)—In Ossa's Reports.

His Honor—No, it isn't; it's Cooke's. (Audience, whose sympathies lie with the defendant, go into convulsions at Mr. JOLLIFFE's discomfiture.)

Mr. Jolliffe (who doesn't relish matters.)—Well, wherever it's reported, it can make no difference; it is the highest authority in the case.

His Honor—Well, you have not told me yet what you want it for; go on!

And to complete the discomfiture of the unfortunate JOLLIFFE, when he produced a small model made from a cigar-box to show the alterations done to the premises, the Court at once improved the opportunity as follows:

His Honor (viewing it humorously)—That is the house that——

Sharp boy in the gallery (promptly)—Jack built!

His Honor (facetiously)—No; the six carpenters. (Roars of laughter from appreciative listeners.)

It is no matter of surprise that Mr. JOLLIFFE lost his case, but the proceedings which followed the rendering of the verdict would surely be a surprise, if they had occurred in any Court in this country, for we are told that "on the announcement of the verdict there was loud and long-continued cheering, which the officers of the Court found it impossible to check for some time, and *immediately afterward a peal of the church bells rang out*, notwithstanding the late hour of the night."

Now, what if we were to speak of this case as conducted with "that indecorum and unfairness from the Bench which marks legal proceedings in England," and to declare that it is the custom in England for the friends of the victorious party not only to applaud loudly in Court, but to ring the church bells in exultation? What would our readers think of our fairness or kindness of disposition toward our cousins across the water?

The fact is that there is a great deal too much of this loose generalization on both sides of the Atlantic. Men are too ready to assume that an occurrence is usual and customary in either country without knowing anything about it; and they are far more ready to make that assumption with reference to an occurrence which furnishes them an opportunity for a sneer or a scoff than one which calls for words of approbation or sympathy. The tendency is not one which leads in the direction of good neighborhood or friendly feeling, and it behoves especially the Press of both countries to guard against it, and to resist its temptations.

Rewards for Bravery.

In a recent English work, the biography of a distinguished British naval officer who rose to high rank in his profession, it is related that, while a youngster in NELSON's fleet, he one day perceived that an intoxicated sailor had fallen overboard and was sinking, whereupon with great gallantry, and at the risk of his own life, he plunged into the sea after the man and held him up. The ship was under sail at the time, and it was long before the pair were rescued, the officer himself being almost exhausted. But all the acknowledgment, his biographer tells us, of any sort whatever, that he got for this service, was a reprimand for being absent from the ship on occasion of some duty whose hour had arrived while he was struggling in the water. This is substantially the story, as we repeat it from memory, and the inference would seem to be that British midshipmen did not get much praise for exploits of that kind in those days. Better fortune, at all events, comes to young American midshipmen now, as witness the honors and acknowledgments which have followed and still follow the very spirited and gallant act of Midshipman MYERS of the *Guerriere*, in the harbor of Rio Janeiro, already recorded by us. The Captain of his ship, the commanding officer of the squadron, and the Secretary of the Navy having successively given him their eulogistic acknowledgments, a civil society, the "Life-Saving Benevolent Association," have now furnished him a medal for saving two lives at risk of his own, and Rev. Mr. BEECHER and others have made him complimentary addresses. It is better to go far in this direction than to go at all in the opposite one, which the British story records.

Episcopal Ebullition.

Since the excitement over the trials of Mr. TYNG, in this City, and Mr. HUBBARD, in Providence, last year, the conflict between the High and the Low Church parties of Episcopacy has seemed to have a lull. But the quiet is only on the surface. Constantly and regularly the separation is growing wider and wider. While the Low Churchmen content themselves with avowing allegiance to their church, but desire also such proper changes as, by a revision of the Liturgy and Rubrics at the hands of the power that originally adopted them, (*i. e.*, the Protestant Episcopal Church of America,) would conform it more accurately to the real beliefs of the church members in great majority, the High Church party is growing in wealth and power, and towering aloft with increasing confidence and ambition into the realm of hierarchical and absolute church government.

Dr. Ewer's famous lecture on "Protestantism a Failure" is followed now by the efforts of one of his immediate adherents to inaugurate a new Episcopal Church under the name of "The Church of St. Mary the Virgin," with an advanced brilliancy of ritual. Dr. MORGAN DIX, of Trinity, has recorded his opinion in a recent public lecture, that the period of the life of the Church since LUTHER's Reformation has been its dark age; because LUTHER committed the error of basing his work on the Scriptures alone, rejecting the authority and traditions of the Church. Bishop WHITEHOUSE, of Illinois, is having trouble with a contumacious rector, who refuses to use the liturgic word "regeneration" in the baptismal ceremony because he does not believe that baptism regenerates the infant and future sinner. Bishop CUMMINS, of Kentucky, has repeated Mr. TYNG's offence by preaching in Chicago without Bishop WHITEHOUSE's permission, and there is a turmoil on that subject. Dr. McILVAINE, the venerated Bishop of Ohio, has come out in favor of a revision of the Liturgy, and thus is making a connection.

In short, on the one side and on the other, the opposing powers of two diametrically opposite principles are actively working in the Episcopal Church. The outward manifestations are the least part of it. Ritualism and High Church forms represent here, as they avowedly do in England, the theology of Rome, which makes the Church God's earthly vicegerent, and the priest as its representative regulator and controller of man's conscience and authoritative expounder of the Faith. Liturgical Revision, and Low Church rebellion against unwelcome churchly forms, represent that belief which would give man's spirit free access to his God and would have ecclesiastical as well as civil government informed with the spirit of liberty, according to that Gospel in which the members of that Church believe.

It is the old fight in a new form. It will not be quieted until it has produced its ancient, oft-repeated and ever new results—division and differentiation. This is not to be deprecated. It is the inevitable law of growth, and is a sign that men live and are thinking. "Many men of many minds" require many institutions of many kinds; and will have them.

Naval Staff Rank.

The chronic, and we may even say historic, quarrel between "line and staff," is not peculiar to our navy, though it has been of late years carried on among us with great spirit. We saw, the other day, the record of a medical officer's experience in the French service, narrating indignities put upon him in respect to rank, honors and acknowledgments, and stoutly standing up for his profession. Not less stoutly does "A Surgeon in the United States Navy" stand up for the staff in general, and for naval medical officers in particular, in a little treatise just published, which gives not only the "principles of naval staff rank," but its history in our navy for more than fifty years. He complains that "it is the line officers who interpret, and who execute, the law and the regulations. They carry them into practice, which is consequently much as it would be were there no law and no regulations."

An order of the late Secretary BORIE has, for the present, as we understand the matter, put the question discussed by this "Surgeon," and discussed more ably, exhaustively, and spiritedly, it seems to us, on the side of the staff than ever before, at rest. The Attorney-General, having advised the Department that Congress alone can fix the relative rank of line and staff officers in the navy, the famous "General Order" of 1863, which was made in behalf of the staff, and conferred rank upon them, was last April annulled. It would seem only possible, therefore, to seek redress and restoration of rank from Congress, which body has, naturally, never yet been anxious to take the disposition of the question from the Navy Department. We shall probably hear at the next session of Congress whether the staff will make good their claims, or whether the theory of the present Navy Department will remain undisturbed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

All officials charged with the administration of correctional law, can find a valuable lesson in the facts of a house robbery in Fourth-street, where an innocent man was arrested by order of Police Captain CAFFREY, and although there was not the shadow of evidence against him, was not discharged by Justice DODGE until after a protracted and humiliating examination. His innocence is at last made entirely clear by the arrest and confession of the real culprits, but we presume the unfortunate man does not find in that circumstance full recompense for the ignominy of his arrest and incarceration. It would not be amiss if this victim, or some one of the many others, of official recklessness were to administer a little sharp discipline to some of our blundering Police Captains and Magistrates, as they might thereby be taught that personal liberty and reputation is something too precious to be at the mercy of the caprice and stupidity of every zealot in authority.

The executors of the late JOHN JACOB ASTOR deserve credit for their fulfillment of his wishes in regard to the Astor Library. The fact is, that we owe it to the executors that Mr. ASTOR's endowment was devoted to a library at all. The original idea of the millionaire was to erect an immense equestrian statue of WASHINGTON and build a handsome structure over and around it. Dr. COGGSWELL, Mr. HALLECK and others induced him to endow the library instead. To the original endowment another executor added a very large sum, equal to the first gift, and made the library complete.

The new American Philological Association promises to be among the most valuable of our literary institutions, and all the more valuable for the independence of mind which Americans would be likely to bring into it—accepting, in an eclectic way, the better features of such societies in Europe. It is a good thing to give such prominence to our own and other languages—the Red Indian among them. Indeed, every modern language is radically connected with the ancient; and proofs of this, gathered from our familiar vocabularies, would wonderfully excite popular interest in that world-wide and cosmopolite philosophy of human speech.

We cannot say Brooklyn bridge is broken down, because it is not yet put up; but we fancy the idea of it, as set forth in Mr. ROEBLING's plan, may be somewhat impaired by the report of Mr. NOLAN, who argues that 1,600 feet make too great a span, and that a tubular bridge carried across on three spans of 800 feet each would be a much better plan. He says the Niagara Suspension Bridge, of 800 feet, is defective in construction, and in general condemns the suspension principle for long spaces. This question is a most important one, when we take into account the unexampled magnitude of the undertaking, and all objections and suggestions of this sort should have serious attention. If navigation would not suffer by the two buttresses in the Stream, Mr. NOLAN's plan would strongly commend itself,—at least to the imagination of the general public.

Two persons have been burned to death within the week in this City by the use of the inflammable stuff sold as benzene and gasoline; several fires have also been produced in the same way by the same cause, which, happily, did not involve the loss of life, but did occasion the destruction of a large amount of property. The Board of Health being clothed with plenary powers in this matter, we can see no reason why this dangerous nuisance should not be promptly and utterly exterminated. It is shameful that we are called upon almost every day in reporting current news to add new names to the list of the victims of kerosene and gasoline, or to swell the grand total of the property destroyed, and we call upon the proper authorities to see to it that we are promptly relieved of the repulsive task.

The reporters announce that STEWART's retail store, when extended to fill the entire block, will be the largest establishment of the kind in the country;—but, with equal truth, the world might have been included. We have here, moreover, not only the great commercial Bazaar in the world, but also the greatest port, from the Customs Collector's point of view; and this same Bazaar is the most extensive of all the importers.

Our Oriental (or Western?) news shows that the Japanese are civilizing themselves at a great rate, and managing big guns, Snider rifles and shells as cleverly as the rest of us. In attacking the Yeddo rebel, ENOMOTO, the Mikado's fighters came to the scratch as steadily as Europeans, without any barbaric dodging or shuffling. A Frenchman was with the rebels, and, when ENOMOTO was killed by a shell, this foreigner was taken prisoner, and then claimed by the French at Yokohama, who meant to try him by Court-martial—though they certainly sympathized with the malcontents. The Japanese Parliament is in session, and in every respect the "Japs" show themselves more alert and cosmopolite than our other Orientals—the Chinese.

For the first time since their removal from Cherokee, Ga., to the Indian Territory, the Cherokee Indians, the largest and most civilized and peaceful of all the red tribes, have had a serious conflict with the whites. The cause was the invasion of the reservations by white settlers. It is the origin of all the Indian wars of late years.

The latest illustrations of scientific progress are very striking. A Western surgeon has penetrated the abdomen, removing four or five feet of intestine, and, leaving the parts which had not mortified, sewed up the abdominal walls and left the patient to rapidly recover. The other illustration is the application of electricity to whale-catching. The whaleboat is provided with a galvanic battery; wires run from it to the points of harpoons; two of these being buried in the body of a whale, the current is complete, and the whale paralyzed by the shock.

It is not at all improbable that the French Emperor may live and reign till his son attains his majority. The Prince Imperial is now in the fourteenth year of his age, while NAPOLEON is in his sixty-second year. The Emperor could make no better preparation for the assumption of the reins of Government by his heir than through the Liberal Constitutional reforms he has proposed.

Some of our "seasonable" customs have a very unreasonable aspect, at times—for instance, that of shutting up all the libraries for a month or six weeks in Summer—as if all the people go into the country at that time, and nobody at all, to signify, is left to read a book! The fact is, that to those staying in the City—the great majority—the library is more needed then than ever, and the want of it makes the dull season still duller. There should be no more "shutting up." The librarians could manage to take their month in turns; and in this way accommodate the whole reading public, thousands of whom have no holiday. All managers of libraries should humanely take this question into consideration.

As regards the teaching of German in the schools, it is very likely it would help the purpose of all education, the enlightenment of the mind, while it would have as little effect *against* the national speech as the Norman had against the earlier English. At first it may be taught in one City school out of three, which would be enough for those wishing to learn it; and as for the additional cost, it any, this may be curtailed from the rather too liberal expense for class-books now indulged in. A new language would increase the taste for literature which is better than so many other tastes. For the rest, it would be no bad thing to teach Spanish also—the second great living language of our own continents. If we are to have Mexico and Cuba, we should let the boys begin in time with the Spanish grammar.

The *Utah Reporter* gives an account of an interview between the old pontiff of polygamy and two sons of the original JOE SMITH, in which the latter contended that the practice was no part of their father's doctrine, and showed their determination to take their Mormonism without it for the future. One of these SMITHS has also that sacred name of Joe, and many in the Salt Lake City are disposed to make him their chief, instead of YOUNG. These things show that the system is breaking up, or breaking down. YOUNG himself has allowed that polygamy was a prophetic afterthought; and there can be no doubt that it will die away in the new order of society, without giving the laws any trouble to suppress it.

THE PEABODY EDUCATION FUND.

How it is to be Used—Letter from Rev. Dr. Sears to the Agent for Louisiana.

STAUNTON, Va., July 16, 1869.

Hon. B. M. Lusher:

MY DEAR SIR: The Trustees have decided to cooperate with State systems (of public instruction) as far as possible. We hope to do so with Louisiana, and I see no great difficulty, if the two races are placed in separate schools. I believe there are no mixed schools in Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina or any other State, nor can I suppose that Louisiana will venture on so bold an experiment.

If, under the State law, no schools are maintained but such as are attended by colored children, or if, virtually, the colored children, and they alone, are provided for by law, we must look particularly after the white children.

On making our arrangement with towns our judgment must be guided, first, by the amount raised by the people; secondly, by the population to be provided for. Our contribution is not a charity to poor children, but an encouragement to communities. The people must contribute something—say three-fourths, or more, of the amount needed to support a free public school in their midst, and a certain number of children to be provided for should also be reported, so that we may know what supplementary aid is required, each year, to render the school permanent and successful.

Both the Trustees and Mr. PEABODY are warmly attached to our plan as it now is, particularly to that feature of it which relates to public schools. I cannot yet say, however, what amount can be granted the coming year. If we can work more advantageously in Louisiana than elsewhere, we can justly and wisely do more there than we could otherwise; but if the children for whom we provide will not attend the schools, we must withdraw our aid and bestow it elsewhere.

I wish you to exercise a wise discretion in this matter. Be pleased to let the people know that the way in which they use our contribution one year will determine the question whether it shall be renewed. Everything is on probation; this is our great security. If the people raise the needed funds and concur with us, whole communities will have the same interest in the schools as though they were supported by general taxation. We wish particularly to know how much money has been raised, and how many children have attended the schools already aided in Louisiana. Yours truly,

E. SEARS, General Agent.

WASHINGTON.

Changes in the Pension Office—The Naval Court Martial—Currency Statement—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, July 31.

The President's departure has thrown Washington back into its normal condition of stupidity. The White House is deserted, and in the Departments there is a general inactivity. The arrivals at the hotels from the Northwest and East have dwindled to absolutely none at all, and almost the only strangers who visit the City are Southerners with their wives and children, who make the capital a mere resting place on their way to cooler latitudes.

THE PENSION OFFICE.

A Board was appointed some time ago to examine the entire body of the Pension laws, instructions and regulations, with a view of rearranging and condensing them into a more compact and convenient form. This Commission have finished their labors, and their work is now before the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for revision and approval. It is thought that several changes will be made in the modus operandi of the office, and that new circulars and instructions will be issued. For some years past the rulings of the Bureau have been again and again in direct conflict, and it is not improbable that persons whose claims for pensions have hitherto been rejected on one ground or another, may be entitled to compensation under the new dispensation.

THE NAVAL COURT-MARTIAL.

Much complaint is made here against the officials who have ordered that no representatives of the Press be admitted to the Naval Court-martial at present being held in this city. Naval officers are interested in the matter, and wish to hear the evidence and arguments on either side. The old conflict between the staff and the line officers is one of the side issues of the present trial, and naval men say that the proceedings should not be smothered up in a star-chamber investigation.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, July 31.

FRACTIONAL CURRENCY STATEMENT.

The amount of fractional currency received from the printing division of the Treasury Department, for the week ending to-day, is $190,000.

Shipments.

To the Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia	$10,000
To the Assistant Treasurer at Boston	20,000
To United States Depositary at New-York	115,000
To United States Depository at Baltimore	10,000
To United States Depository at Pittsburg	10,000
To national banks	27,423
The Treasury holds in trust as security for national bank circulation	$48,307,300
For public deposits	21,804,500
Multilated bank notes burned	115,000
Total amount burned to date	15,141,291
Bank currency issued for bills destroyed during the week	219,040
Total issued thereof	15,020,000
Balance due for mutilated bills	120,000
Actual circulation at this date	20,792,610
Fractional currency redeemed and destroyed during the week	347,218

MODIFICATIONS OF WAREHOUSE REGULATIONS.

The following has been issued by Secretary BOUTWELL:

It appearing by a report received from Special Agent D. G. LONDELL that the restrictions contained in the 99th article of Revised Warehouse Regulations of Oct. 16, 1868, requiring cars, vessels and boats to contain no other goods, except such as are in bond, tend to embarrass and prohibit the transaction of the legitimate business of transportation companies in the use of railroad cars, steamboats and other vessels and furthermore that the sending and sealing of packages of merchandise when carried under proper manifest from place of shipment to a port or place of destination under Custom locks or seals, occasions delay and unnecessary expense, the said article No. 99 of the regulations referred to, is hereby modified so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 99. The cars, vessels or boats upon which merchandise in bond may be secured and sealed, or locked in the same manner as cars conveying goods under seal, may be allowed to pass from port to port through by a continuous route from the port of importation to the port of exportation without delay, and without being opened. When dutiable merchandise is transported in a bonded vessel, such dutiable merchandise must be corded and sealed, or branded and sealed, and marked or labeled as provided in articles 98 and 81 of Revised Warehouse Regulations of Oct. 16, 1868, and in additional regulations of Feb. 16, 1869, unless the transportation be made by a continuous route, without change of car or vessel, under Customs lock or seal, from the port of shipment to the port or place of destination, so that if dutiable merchandise in bond is to be carried from the port of shipment to the port of destination in cars or vessels, under Customs locks or seals, by a continuous route, without change of car or vessels, the cording and sealing of packages will not be required.

GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

THE NEW NEW-YORK POST OFFICE.

Ten bids for excavating for the foundation of the New-York Post Office were opened to-day by Superintending Architect MULLETT. The lowest bidder was JAS. EVERARD, of New-York City, at eighty-three cents per cubic yard. For cement, four bids were submitted, Messrs. DELAFIELD and BAXTER, of New-York, being the lowest bidders, at $1 97 per barrel. For removal and purchase of stone, fence and coping, eleven bids were submitted. The highest was by EDWIN L. BEADY, of Jersey City, at $1,125. It is probable that none of these bids will be considered, the fence being worth much more money.

PERSONAL.

JOHN S. HOLLINGSHEAD, an old citizen and Commissioner of Deeds for many of the States, died here to-day.

Colonel PENNEBACKER, the Kentucky State Agent, is pronounced by his physicians to be in a dying condition.

REVENUE RECEIPTS.

The receipts from internal revenue to-day were over a million of dollars, and for the month ending July 31, $21,500,000. During July last year the receipts reached about $16,000,000.

THE MEXICAN CLAIMS COMMISSION.

The Mexican Claims Commission, consisting of W. H. WADSWORTH and Señor PALACIO, organized this morning. General CUSHING is Attorney for Mexico, and J. HUBLEY ASHTON for the United States.

ARMY.

The following officers have been detailed for recruiting service and ordered to report to Brevet Brigadier-General Reeve, at New-York: Captains R. W. Perry, Geo. S. Tyler, H. H. Wilson and S. T. Wiggins.

The following are to report to General Hatch, Superintendent of Mounted Recruits, at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania: Captains Arthur McArthur, H. B. Freeman, Isaac N. Lewis and Second Lieutenant Frank Madden. Second Lieutenant Chas. Hay, of the Twenty-third Infantry, has been ordered to conduct the recruits from Carlisle Barracks to the Pacific Coast.

First Chaplain Edward H. Lewis and First Lieutenant Peter Engels, United States Navy, have resigned.

NAVY.

Captain C. H. R. Caldwell has been ordered to hold himself in readiness for duty as Chief of the North Atlantic Fleet, under Rear-Admiral Poor, relieving Captain John C. Howell, U. S. Navy. Chief Engineer Lieutenant George W. De Long has been ordered to report for duty to the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, for duty in the practice of the signals.

THE TEST OATH.

General Butler's Letter to a Citizen of Virginia.

The following letter from General BUTLER, the Richmond *State Journal* says, has been received by a distinguished citizen of Virginia:

BAY VIEW, NEAR GLOUCESTER, July 29, 1869.

MY DEAR SIR: Your letter reaches me as the seaside, where I have no books for consultation, and so to the precedents have to rely entirely upon my memory.

The question you present, as I understand it, is this: In the Virginia election a portion of the members of the Legislature elected cannot take the oath, by reason of a disqualification in their state; and that this legal disability was known to the voters at the time that they were elected. Under these circumstances, they being refused their seats, is the next highest candidate voted for on the list eligible? This question has not always received a uniform ruling in parliamentary bodies. In the celebrated case of WILKES and SUTTERLL, after WILKES had been expelled from Parliament because of an alleged inability to take his seat, although he was returned at the next election by nine-tenths of all the votes thrown, yet the House of Commons seated his opponent, Colonel SUTTERLL, who had but a mere handful of votes. It will be observed, however, that this was not done until the second time that WILKES had been unseated, the House assuming that their action was notice to every voter.

This decision has been pretty nearly uniformly held where the disability was a legal and continued one, which would render the person unfit to sit in the body to which he was returned at any future time. Is this the case with the legal disability of some of the members elect to the Virginia Legislature? That disqualification is usually denominated an inability to take the test oath. Stating it in that way, it would hardly seem that a moral or conscientious scruple of the member as to taking an oath would or could be so generally known to the electors as to make it proper that their vote for him should be considered so far in defiance of the law of the land that their votes should be held for nought and set aside. But when we remember that this disqualification or disability to take the test oath is, in fact, that the members elect have committed overt acts of treason against the United States and many of them are in the condition of paroled prisoners of war, and that the Reconstruction acts have precisely made that status of a candidate an absolute disqualification, and that has been done over and over again by Congress, it would seem very clear that the elector who voted for such candidate, with a view and right to vote this disqualification of his party, and have his vote rejected as if he had thrown it for a person actually dead—as many of these men would have been if they had had their desert—*or civiliter mortus*, as all of these men are until relieved by the legislative power which have imposed the disability.

My opinion, therefore, would be, and in that I am quite clear, that it is within the power of the Government, and within the requirements of the law of Congress, if administered in their integrity, to set aside these men who cannot take the test oath because of their participation in the rebellion, and that man who did not so participate, and who had the votes of the electors because of their adherence to the Union, should be admitted to their seats, as being the choice of the only men voting who did not prefer a traitor to the Government to a loyal man for his representative.

I have thus far examined the question only in its legal relations. Of course, we shall hear much of the necessity of conciliation, and of the necessity of the policy of reconciliation, and of allowing those who accept the situation, as the phrase is, to take part in the Government. But that conciliation—that policy of reconciliation—that permission to those who forfeited their rights to resume them, or, in other words, the reconferring of civil rights upon them—must emanate from Congress, and not from the Executive; and whatever Congress may do upon this subject, it is clear to my mind that the Executive officers, as well as every other citizen, can have but one duty, and that is to obey the law; and the law and its consequences seem to me equally clear, as I have before stated. When the matter shall come before Congress, then, after full examination of the condition of the Southern States, after the evidence shall be heard whether these men do in good faith accept the situation or take advantage of the ballot-box to do that which they could not do with the bayonet—i. e., successfully oppose the Government—when it shall fully appear that the rebellion indeed is ended, I may be quite of opinion that the law of Congress should be repealed, and be ready to vote therefor. But until that time, I think this law, like every other law of Congress, should be executed.

I have the honor to be, very truly yours,

BENJ. F. BUTLER.

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Arrival of the Steamship Alaska—$62,833 in Treasure.

The United States of Colombia—Quiet Prevailing—Another Search for an Island Treasure—Capital Gossip.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Friday, July 23, 1869.

Since my last our political world remains undisturbed except by the constant hints of the Mosquera Party as to what they intend to do some day. The presence of about 300 national troops and a couple hundred State militia, all well armed, prevent them probably from carrying their threats into execution, however well they may feel disposed to get up a revolution. Señor HOLGRIN still remains a political prisoner, but is now allowed to walk about the streets. He will likely be returned to Bogota to-day or to-morrow.

The fifty-ninth anniversary of the Colombian Independence was celebrated on the 20th inst. by a national salute and a review of the troops. President CORREOSO issued on that day a general amnesty proclamation pardoning all persons banished in 1866 from the State for conspiring against him. No doubt it will be well received by those who are still absent under the Presidential lash.

There is quite a crowd of foreign officials here at present. Mr. A. W. CLARK, ex-United States Consul from Valparaiso; Señor VILLAFANE, Minister to Peru from Central America; Señor FIGUEROA, Minister from Costa Rica to Europe on a borrowing expedition to the extent of two million starling; Señor COSIN, Special Agent from the Nicaraguan Legitimate Government to the States; a squad of agents from Peru to sell guano in New-York, and may be others unknown to the undersigned.

Another expedition is forming for a search after the treasure at the Cocos Island. It is to start from Costa Rica in a few days, and has more the semblance of success than any of its forerunners; at any rate, if it proves a failure, it will be useless to make any further attempts, as the only living man fully posted in the matter goes with the expedition.

The American schooner *Petrel*, formerly of San Francisco, has been chartered for the purpose.

The whaling bark *Ellen Morrison*, LUCE, sailed hence on a cruise on the 20th inst.

The whaling bark *Platinia*, CHASE, is still in port taking in provisions, and will sail in a few days.

There was a freshet on the road on the afternoon of the 20th, interrupting travel that afternoon. The damage was repaired early next morning. Unusually heavy rains have fallen along the lines of late.

The British bark *Contrie*, sold at auction recently at Aspinwall as condemned, sailed for New-York on the 14th. She went under the Colombian flag, the Consul refusing her a British register, as she was unseaworthy.

Mr. ISAAC LAWTON, ex-editor of the *Chronicle*, is about starting a new newspaper in this city for which a joint stock company has been formed. Quite a number of shares have been taken, the principal stockholder being the agent of WELLS, FARGO & Co. Mr. LAWTON is a gentleman of considerable newspaper experience, and it is thought his paper will be quite an addition to the journalism of Panama.

The new bank meets with a good deal of opposition from the merchants, who refuse to take the notes about to be issued, and have published a card to that effect.

News from Bogota has reached to the 29th of June; there is little news. What there is I take from the *Star*, which says:

"Beyond the usual amount of revolutionary talk and political abuse there is little in the papers.

The United States Minister General SULLIVAN took his leave of the Government on the 26th June, and may be looked for on this Isthmus about the 3d August.

General SANTOS GUTIERREZ, President of the Republic, has been married to an Antioquian lady recently.

Tolima talks of getting up a revolution in favor of Mosquera.

The person who stole the silver ornaments from the Church of Popayan on the 4th June last returned the same with a request that a mass might be said for him on account of the crime he had committed, which was done and the *Te Deum* sung in the church on the 9th inst."

Central America—Revolution in Nicaragua—Proclamation of the Revolutionists—News from Guatemala, Salvador and Costa Rica.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Friday, July 23, 1869.

The Railroad Company's steamer *Guatemala* arrived at this port, from Central America, on the 16th.

By this vessel news has been received of a revolution in Nicaragua, headed by General JEREZ and Ex-President MARTINEZ, against the Guzman Government. The rebels have taken the Department of Leon, including the city of that name, and all the other towns in the Pacific coast, with the port of Corinth, at which the steamer touches. The up mails from Panama by last steamer were all seized at Corinth. There at present here will be sent by way of Costa Rica. MARTINEZ is unable to take any active part in the movement, being ill at his farm near Leon. JEREZ has placed himself at the head of the rebel army, numbering about 600 men, and has appointed Don FRANCISCO BAGA Provisional President, residing at Leon, the headquarters of the insurgents.

BAGA has issued the following proclamation, which has been published here:

COMPATRIOTS: Yesterday the General of Division, Dr. Don MAXIMO JEREZ, took possession of the Provisional Presidency of the Republic, but having to devote himself at present to his duties as Commander-in-Chief of the Army, by his accord the administration of the Government has been placed in my hands.

You have seen the programme of the 27th of May. The ideas it contains tend to the amelioration of the liberal republican system, favor the true rights of the people and the progress of the country in general, for the realization of which we have a strong and well-founded hope, and expect that all Nicaraguayans who comprehend the importance of the great work we have undertaken, will look to our standard and aid us by their efficient cooperation.

OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS OF THE ARMY: The work of reconquering the rights of the people, and to secure for yourselves and your children a happy future, devolves upon you. Your country and devotion, discipline and order, the great work of liberty will be accomplished. Preferment to you! Let the virtues proper to the republican soldier. For my part I assure you that your watchings and your labors will secure a thousand blessings of posterity, and that the countries that behold us will recognize the justice of the attitude we have at present assumed.

FRANCISCO BAGA.

LEON, June 26, 1869.

The following is a synopsis of the plan of the revolutionists:

"The abolition of monopolies. The establishment of free schools by the Government. The encouragement of industry by a facilitation of exchanges and the improvement of public roads and highways. The promotion of Americanism, the upholding of the integrity of the Central American Republics and the protecting of Republican liberty. The abolition of the death penalty and the present jury system, and the establishment of religious freedom throughout the Republic. The Government of Señor GUZMAN had taken very energetic measures to suppress the revolution. General VELEZ, however, was at last advices ten leagues from Managua, the capital, at the head of a division of the revolutionary forces. The movement seems to be a formidable one, but we hope that order will soon be reestablished."

No engagements had taken place, at the latest accounts, between the rebels and the Government forces. The latter had about 1,200 men, many of them well armed with Chassepot rifles. The rebels were badly armed. Their chances of success are not encouraging, although they may keep together for some weeks.

No regular mails have been received, and the only intelligence is what can be gleaned from the revolutionary circulars and from verbal reports of passengers. The following letter appears in the *Star & Herald* of this city:

LEON, Nicaragua, July 6, 1869.

Ever since the accession of Don FERNANDO GUANTAS to the Presidency of the Republic of Nicaragua, he has been threatened by the revolution which has just broken out, and it has only been owing to the personal hatred which has always existed between MARTINEZ and JEREZ, the chiefs of the two strongest political parties in the country, that this event has so long been delayed. Last night, however, these two Generals came to a mutual understanding, and on Saturday, the 26th ult., by means of a well-contrived ruse and the assistance of the Police force they seized the cuartel in this city, published their proclamation and declared the purity of their intentions. Having possession of the cuartel, of course no resistance could be made them within the city, but numbers fled from here to Managua and have joined the constitutional Government there, which is strongly fortified, has 1,000 men under arms, plenty of munitions of war, and, in fact, only suffers from the scarcity of corn, which in these tortilla-eating countries is the staff of life. Each party is strengthening itself daily by forced enlistments and by forced loans, so that it does not appear very probable that the war will finish very soon. Besides this, each expects reinforcements from Salvador, but as yet, as none have come, we cannot judge which side El Presidente DUENAS will resolve upon taking in the struggle.

Until now, with the exception of the attack on the cuartel, no other engagement has taken place which influences the question in any way. It is true that in the hacienda of the Messrs. CHAMORRO, San Roque, there was a slight skirmish and two lives lost; but it was more a cattle-robbing expedition than anything else.

GUATEMALA AND SALVADOR.

Guatemala has not been disturbed since the defeat of the insurgent SERAPIO CRUZ, and the country remains tranquil and prosperous.

In Salvador another eruption of the volcano of Jyliico occurred on the 17th of June, covering the town of Sensonate with ashes, and for some time enveloping it in darkness. No injury, however, was done, and the shower passed off toward Conajutla.

COSTA RICA.

"Among the passengers from Costa Rica is Señor FIGUEROA, special envoy *en route* to Europe for the purpose of negotiating, if possible, a loan for $2,000,000.

The Minister from Nicaragua, Señor MONTEALEGRE, who was sent to obtain the consent of Costa Rica to the Ayon-Chevalier Canal contract, has returned home, having so far successful in his mission as to make a treaty embracing all the requirements of the contract, which only now requires to be ratified by the Congresses of Nicaragua and Costa Rica to make the canal contract perfect.

Some 200 men continue to be employed in opening the road from San Jose to Port Limon, on the Atlantic, and the work is progressing satisfactorily.

There does not seem to be a great deal of faith in the fulfillment of the Interoceanic Railroad scheme.

Since our last news, the country remains undisturbed, the principal leaders of the opposition party, some fourteen in number, being banished from the Republic."

Southern Countries—Disastrous Fire in Valparaiso—The Small-pox—Discoveries of Silver—The Tres Puntas Railway—Bolivia—Change in the Peruvian Cabinet—News from the South.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Friday, July 23, 1869.

The arrival of the steamer *Pacific* brings dates from Valparaiso to the 3d and Callao to the 13th instant.

CHILI.

Another disastrous fire occurred in Valparaiso on the 15th June in a retail grocery store belonging to Don JOSE COTO NUNEZ, situated in the Plaza de la Municipalidad, corner of Calle del Arsenal. The fire spread with such rapidity that in a few hours the whole block of buildings between the Plaza, Calle del Arsenal, Callejon de la Matriz and Calle del Arrayan was reduced to ashes, despite the efforts of the firemen, who could do no more than prevent the flames from communicating to the neighboring houses. Of the buildings destroyed, more than half belonged to the Nuns of the Carmen Bajo, in Santiago, and the rest to Messrs. RODRIGUEZ BROTHERS, of Valparaiso. None were insured. The grocery store belonging to Señor COTO NUNEZ was, it is said, insured for the sum of $10,000 in the Pacific Insurance Office. The buildings in question were in a ruined state and a great eyesore to that part of the city, and although the loss inflicted on the occupiers is greatly lamented, the city will eventually be a gainer by the disaster.

Two days afterward another firebroke out on the premises of Señor VILLAR, in the Calle de la Merced, but was happily soon subdued. There is great complaint made about the many robberies occurring during fires, and the Police are most remiss in their duties on these occasions.

The Exhibition is virtually at an end, but the experience of every day confirms in a remarkable manner the immense benefit it has conferred upon the country, in doing as a powerful stimulus toward the adoption of an improved system of agriculture. Foreign manufacturers of agricultural machinery may confidently look forward to a steady and increased demand from this country for all kinds of farming implements.

At a great trial of threshing machines that took place the other day, it was generally admitted that CLAYTON's machine was considerably ahead of its competitors. The machine exhibited by L. C. LADD, Esq., also performed its work in a most creditable manner.

The net receipts of the Santiago and Valparaiso Railway for the month of May last amounted to $20,150.59.

An event of great significance took place in Santiago on the 26th ult.; this was the opening of a Spanish Protestant Church, and although in Valparaiso Protestant Church service in the English language has been performed for years—for the preeminently Catholic city of Santiago this must be indeed deemed a great event, signifying the final triumph of a principle. It may now be known abroad that religious freedom is the recognized law and practice of Chili, upon which the friends of this Republic as well as the advocates of liberty may well be congratulated as being rather different from the times when this country was bound in the fetters of religious exclusiveness imposed in colonial times by old Spain. The new church is designed for preaching in the Spanish language to a congregation of native worshipers, gathered by Rev. Mr. GILBERT.

During the late frequent and heavy gales on the coast, several vessels have been wrecked. The names of these as known at present are: The British bark *Ivea*, with a cargo of copper; the bark *Rosario Isabel*, with a cargo of naval stores; the bark *Sheffield*, laden with flour; the North American schooner *Rippling Wave*, with coal and lumber; the Guatemalian bark *Nocelestia*, with saltpetre, and the Swedish brig *Gottenburg*, with a cargo of wheat. Altogether we have had a rather tempestuous season of late in the South Pacific, but happily so far we have not heard of much loss of life.

Valparaiso was visited by a severe norther on the 1st and 2d inst., by which the Guatemalan bark *Nocelestia* was driven ashore and totally wrecked. The crew were saved. Vessel and cargo are a total loss. Insurance on the vessel, $4,000; on the cargo, $6,000.

Small-pox has made its appearance to a rather alarming extent in some parts of Valparaiso.

Considerable excitement has been caused by the reported discovery of a silver lode on the Cerro del Roncado, situated on the Lagunas estate, and distant from here about ten miles. The lode is described as being upward of a mile in width, and it is predicted that at a short depth from the surface it will prove double that width. A small quantity of the ore assayed at the mint gave a "lay" of 166 marks to the "cajon" of 65 quintals. Fabulous prices are being asked for shares in the mine, which has been christened with the long and euphonious title of "Descubridora Victo del Carmen."

Further troubles have taken place in the immediate vicinity of the Frontier, but, happily, they have been confined to the Indians themselves. It is generally believed, however, that the arrival of Spring will be accompanied by a recurrence of Indian raids on the frontier settlements.

The *Ferrocarril*, of Santiago, publishes in its editorial section the following passages from a private letter:

COPIAPO, June 16, 1869.

Mr. WM. WHEELWRIGHT writes me from Buenos Ayres that he expects to be in Chili by April or May next, in order to construct the Tres Puntas Railway, which is afterward to be carried across the Andes. He estimates the cost of the work at about $4,000,000, and thinks he can already count upon a fourth or half of the capital. He wishes to know whether he will be supported by good signatures in Chili, and whether Government would be disposed to guarantee a specified dividend.

COPIAPO.

Several shocks of earthquake have been felt here lately. On the 17th instant at 9:35 P. M. a slight shock, preceded and succeeded by a long and loud subterranean noise, was felt. About 9:05 P. M. on the following night a slight oscillation of the ground, accompanied by a loud noise, was felt, and immediately after a second shock of shorter duration but greater intensity, and unacompanied by any noise. On the 19th instant at 2:38 P. M. a very severe shock, lasting upward of a minute and accompanied by a loud and prolonged noise, was felt. No damage resulted to life or property, but the alarm was very great, and the streets remained crowded for some time with the terror-stricken inhabitants.

BOLIVIA.

The state of things in this Republic remains up to the present in *statu quo* notwithstanding threatening symptoms in the political horizon, and MELGAREJO continues at the head of affairs. The La Paz journals contain absolutely nothing of either interest or importance having transpired.

PERU.

It is thought a total change will soon take place in the Cabinet. The enemies of President BALTA continue to conspire against him, and it would not be astonishing at any time to hear of another revolution.

Dr. J. P. ELMORE, formerly Secretary of Legation at Washington, has been nominated Sub-Secretary of State for Foreign Relations. ELMORE is a young man that unites to the highest honesty a vast erudition, special knowledge and unbounded assiduity.

Mr. THEODORE MULLER, Consul-General of the North German Confederation in Peru, died suddenly on the 9th inst. in Lima. This loss has been generally lamented.

Government continues extending its protection to the exploring expedition of the Chanchamayo and to the colonization of those regions. Some disagreement which arose between Colonel PERETRA and Engineer NISTROM, whose studies would have contributed in a great measure to a good success, obliged Government to recall the latter.

As the request of Government the Huano Consignees have agreed to do the exchange on Europe at 3½d. per dollar, or per four francs.

A great many persons are ill at ease with the prediction of the German astronomer FALB, relative to the earthquakes, that will shake Peru, Ecuador and Méjico on the 9th, 10th and 11th of August next, and another that will be fatal to these countries to take place from the 20th of September to the 1st of October next.

The $100,000 contract for the construction of a road between Lima and Callao met with the disapprobation of the Press and public, and consequently has been abrogated, paying $6,000 solos to the contractors for the part already made.

The news from the Southern Departments is unimportant. In Iquique they complain of late rough weather and turbulent seas; also of the everlasting earthquakes, occurring generally in the middle of the night, and causing much uneasiness and discomfort to the inhabitants.

It is also stated that the volcano Isuiga is once more in action, throwing out fire and ashes, giving rise to the belief that an eruption is perhaps about to take place soon.

The lately much-affected people of the City of Tacua are gradually getting into better spirits. Business is reviving, and the epidemic has at last totally disappeared. On the 8th inst. a grand religious service was performed in the Church San Ramon in commemoration of the victims by the yellow fever lately prevailing. To the late Prefect, Señor CORNEJO, was ascribed much of the sickness here, from his want of activity in adopting sanitary measures, and the recent advent of his successor, Señor ARANCIBIA, was hailed with much satisfaction.

From Arequipa we learn that the reconstruction of the city is going on with less activity than might be desirable; that earthquakes are again of frequent occurrence, and that people are a good deal afraid at the terrible predictions of the German astronomer, M. FALB, which shows that ignorance and superstitious terror are still considerably rampant in that devoted locality.

The Horrible Affray between Boatmen and Steamboat Hands on a Mississippi Steamer.

From the Chicago Tribune.

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Thursday, July 29, 1869.

A horrible affair occurred on the steamer *Dubuque* after leaving this city this morning, which terminated in the killing of five negroes, deck hands, and one raftman, and the badly wounding of two or three others. As near as I can learn, the trouble originated as follows: One hundred and fifty raftmen came aboard the boat at Davenport, and the clerk ordered two of the negro deck hands to stand guard at the gang way and not to let any one pass without his permission. One of the raftmen tried to pass the guard and make his way to the cabin, when the deck hands ordered him back until his ticket was examined by the clerk. He, not liking this, commenced pitching into the deck hands, who got the best of him, when the raftmen, to the number of over one hundred, came to his rescue, stabbing and beating the two deck hands until about dead, then throwing them into the river. They then made an assault on the rest of the deck crew, succeeding in killing three more of them and throwing their bodies into the river. One of the raftmen was also killed in the melee, making six in all killed.

As soon as Hampton was reached, Captain LEONARD landed the boat, when the raftmen drove the deck crew ashore, injuring several of them with stones. As soon as this was over, they went aboard the boat and ordered the Captain to proceed up the river or they would burn his boat. He, being in their power, and fearing they would carry into execution their threats, headed the boat up stream, and in the meantime telegraphed to the Sheriff here, who chartered an extra train and left with a large force of men, well-armed. They overtook the boat at Clinton, and immediately took possession of her and started for this city. On arrival here there were over 5,000 people on the river bank, together with the crew who were driven off the boat, and with their assistance succeeded in recognising forty-two of the men, who were taken to jail, under a strong guard.

A large Police force is posted about the jail, and no further trouble is expected. The city is full of raftmen, who came ashore, but an extra force of policemen has been stationed about the city, and it is thought that all will be quiet for the night.

An examination will probably take place to-morrow. There are men on the lookout for the dead bodies thrown from the boat into the river.

The Anti-Rent War—The Prisoners Held to Bail.

From the Troy Whig, July 31.

The interest in the unfortunate affray at Greenbush still continues unabated, and each new development is looked for with anxiety by the public. Yesterday afternoon John Whitbeck, Benj. Whitbeck, Aaron Keon, Henry Cregsland, Zadock Bass were brought before Justice DONOHUE. The examinations were set down for Aug. 1. Messrs. EDGAR L. FULLERTON and FRANKLIN J. FARRENTER are counsel for the prisoners, and District-Attorney BANKER, assisted by Mr. HALE, of Albany, and Mr. FRANCIS RIDING represent the people. The counsel in chief is quite a lively discussion before the Justice, but we were requested to not the exact nation, down for the date above stated. The prisoners were remanded to jail, and taken thither in charge of Detective KIRKE. Subsequently they were released on bail in the sum of $8,000 each.

We learned last evening that the condition of WHITBECK, proprietor of the farm, is considered very precarious, and GUINZE is considered by no means out of danger. It is thought that the skull of the latter is fractured. If such is the case his recovery is very doubtful indeed.

STAGE NOTES.

Gone Notes of the Week.

A change of performance, hardly wanted, we should opine, by the unusual tendency of the mercury, is to be made this week at almost all the local places of amusement. Mr. JEFFERSON's appearance at Booth's is likely to be the most important event. He brings to us, it is true, no new play, but the familiarity with which his performance of Rip Van Winkle is invested, great as it is, can hardly be too intimate when we regard not only the real attractiveness of the impersonation, but its profound merit. There can be no doubt as to the cordiality of the reception that awaits Mr. JEFFERSON, and is likely to be rehearsed on each after-night of his six weeks' engagement. His success, we think, will be of unusual proportions. Yet it is hardly likely to be more lucrative than that of "Arrah-Na-Pogue," to be represented by Mr. DAN. BWANT, Mr. DOMINICK MURRAY and Miss ROSE EYTINGE and FINDES at Niblo's to-morrow evening. The play is a popular one, and it is strongly cast and illustrated with liberality and taste. Up-town the comedy of "Self," that will attract the playgoer to Wallack's, will thenceforward also claim particular attention as a novelty. Mr. JOHN E. OWENS is to act in it, with Miss ANNIE DELAND and other *artistes*. At Wood's Museum, the WORRELL sisters, SOPHIE and JENNIE by name, will call for simultaneous notice. These young ladies are to appear in "Lalla Rookh." The purely sensational drama still has its abode, we note, at the Grand Opera House. Miss LUCILLE WESTERN will be the actress, and "East Lynne" the subject for interpretation. Elsewhere—that is to say at the Olympic and at the Bowery—pantomime and equestrian literature, of which Miss KATE FISHER is an excellent exponent, are to supply, respectively, the needed entertainment. With the close of the fortnight the temples, until then closed, will be open to the public. By that time it is to be hoped, for the sake of their managers, that cool nights will have returned with the inception of the new Fall season of music and the drama.

Stage Gossip.

Miss CLARA THOMPSON and daughter sailed for Europe yesterday.

Miss DE BAR was prevented, by indisposition, yesterday from appearing at Booth's Theatre. The part entrusted to her, that of *Annie Arden*, was very acceptably filled by Miss E. V. PROUDFOOT.

Herr LOUIS QUINT, well known as a tenor and as a professor of music, died in this City last week.

Miss MADELINE HENRIQUES departed for this country by the steamship *Java*, which sailed from Liverpool yesterday. She is said to be engaged at Wallack's Theatre.

A rumor was current in Paris to the effect that M. JULLIEN CARRIER, whilom of the opera-bouffe troupe attached to the French Theatre, had been killed by a fall in Bordeaux.

HERMANN, the prestidigitateur, is now in this City, and will be the earliest tenant of the Academy of Music in the Fall.

Mr. TAYLEURE has received from England a new sensational play written expressly for Mr. J. S. CLARKE and himself, and illustrated by upward of twenty scenes depicting historic London; the scenery needed for the presentation of the work has been painted in London by ROGERS and will soon reach this city. The production of this piece, the performances of Mr. BEN. DE BAR (in experience the oldest manager in America, and now about to visit the Metropolis under engagement to Mr. TAYLEURE) and the framing of contracts for the WORRELL Sisters, whose movements Mr. TAYLEURE is to direct, will certainly give that gentleman abundant occupation.

CHINESE THEATRICALS.

"A few years ago," says the San Francisco *Morning Call*, "the proprietor of the Chinese Theatre on Jackson-street, returned from China, bringing with him a company of ninety performers that had been performing for many years at Canton, and who had a wide reputation for talent, as acrobats, vaulters, vocalists and general performers. Their wardrobe is of the most gorgeous style and cost in China, where everything is so cheap a 'power of money.' Their arrival, as a matter of course, caused considerable excitement among the Chinese here too, because in the troupe were several ladies whose feet were no larger than a man's little finger. The theatre on Jackson-street, which is not large as the Metropolitan, was crowded to excess on the opening night, and each evening since. The fame of the company has gradually extended beyond Chinese circles, and every evening now sees quite a number of Americans in the audience. Last night we dropped in for a few moments, and were astonished at the scene before us. Near the door sat a silent old fellow rolling up betel-nuts and quicklime, and selling 'chaw' to the auditors as they came in. The females were the greatest curiosities of this luxury, and generally one failed to invest five cents in a chaw. A short distance off were several well-known politicians, who were evidently under the convoy of a prominent Chinese *compradore*. The stage was filled with actors, musicians and spectators, for I suppose actors have enough room by stand and move about the stage at pleasure. The music (!)—shade of MENDELSSOHN!—was considered grand by the Chinese, but to our ears it was nothing but a terrific din, caused by the beating of gongs, the clashing of cymbals, the squeaking of fiddles, the beating of drums, and the tooting of a bellowing trumpet. It gave us a headache that we did not recover from for ten hours. When we arrived, it had arrived at that pitch where a rebellion had broken out, and the adherents of each party were present in force to settle matters by the dagger and bowie. Troops were being marshaled and reviewed, inspected and harangued to the highest pitch of courage. The cavalry were represented by fellows carrying switches, and the taking of the switch from the hand of the rider was, by a violent presumption, considered to be dismounting. One body of cavalry were painted to look as near devils as possible, and, without hesitation, we will accept them as such. Another lot were gallant zoo-zoos, and wore the conventional big trousers of the Zouaves. These latter appeared to belong to the attacking party, and were 'eager for the fray;' for they seemed to be arranged to come out and have a 'square thing' of it. After a great deal of preliminary fussing the battle began, and then we were treated with a display of acrobatic feats such as are never seen outside of a Chinese theatre. One fellow, who had a sword tied for cutting upon a table, so crow over his victory, was continually getting knocked 'head over heels' by one of the rebels, who would come upon the stage turning somersaults, until he would reach a certain distance from the table, when he would straighten out, while turning, and plant his feet in the breast of his adversary, with tremendous force. Some of the performers had a great fondness for climbing upon three tables placed one on top of the other, and, turning a flip-flap, light on their backs on another table, ten or twelve feet away. A double sword and spear combat displayed considerable skill, and was fought with real earnest, for several of the combatants received severe wounds, from which the blood poured in streams. This delighted the audience, and their applause nerved the actors to greater courage, and to more valorous deeds. While some of their feats of agility are wonderfully well executed, they have not the grace and finish that is to be seen in our gymnasts; in fact, they appear to do everything by main strength and awkwardness.

The Foreign Drama.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* has substantial reasons, it says, for believing that the present coalition at the Italian Opera House will not be allowed to keep its monopoly for another season. An opposition of a most formidable character is already organized, an opposition supported by a majority of the leading singers who have this year taken part in the performances at Covent Garden Theatre. Among the seceders are Mlle. CHRISTINE NILSSON, Signor MONGINI, Mr. SANTLEY, Signor GARDONI, Signor POLI, and Signor ARDITI, the conductor. And to this considerable company are allied Mme. VOLPINI, Mme. TRELELLI BETTINI, Signor BETTINI, M. GASSIER, and others. That such an opposition should have been organized cannot greatly surprise those who have taken an interest in operatic affairs. Whether the new company will be housed at Drury Lane or at Her Majesty's Theatre is not certain.

The English papers announce the decease of Mr. SWIFT, a well-known tenor, who expired July 10, at his residence in the Opera Arcade, Haymarket, after a lingering illness. Mr. SWIFT made his last appearance on the Opera Lyra stage, in Paris, five or six years. When Mr. B. T. SMITH became lessee of Her Majesty's, in 1866, Mr. SWIFT was engaged manager of the company. The journals also notice the decease of Mr. VINCENT WALLACE, at his residence, Kenmare, Ireland. Mr. WALLACE, who has passed several years in the United States, and brought back to England sufficient to secure him a comfortable income for the remainder of his days. He fixed his residence in Liverpool, and lived in perfect contentment, cheered by the respect and sympathy of a few old friends.

Miss LAURA HARRIS has entered into an engagement with the manager MERELLI, to sing at the Imperial Opera at Moscow for two years. Miss MINNIE HAUCK will also appear there. Mlle. MORESKI has been engaged for the Paris Italiens.

VICTORIEN SARDOU had just returned from Brussels, where he went to witness the first representation of "Patrie." A good deal of jealousy was excited against him on the part of the Brussels managers, in consequence of some special privileges conceded to M. RAPHAEL FELIX by M. ANSPACH, the Burgomaster, and it was feared that owing to their united influence the success of the piece might be compromised but the "delicate" attentions paid the critics by the author and director on the occasion of the first rehearsal, smoothed away all difficulties and ensured a triumph for the work. Among the audience were to be observed the Duc D'ARMALE, the French Ambassador, M. DE LA GUERONNIERE

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JULY 31, 1869.

FIRST BOARD—10½ A. M.

$6,000 U. S. 5-20 B. '65	122	200 Adams Ex.	95½
200 U. S. 5-20 C. '65, small	122½	100 do	95
3,000 do	122¼	200 U. S. Ex.	70
7,000 U. S. 5-20 R. '65	122	100 Wells, Fargo Ex.	34½
$2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	122½	100 do	34¾
2,000 do	122¼	400 do	34½
$2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	122½	400 do	34½
7,000 U. S. 5-20 R. '67	122½	100 N. Y. Cen.	214¾
4,000 do small	122½	200 do	214½
$6,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	122½	200 do	214¾
500 do	122½	400 do	215
$6,000 U. S. 5-20 10-40 C.	114¾	400 Ill. Cen.	141¾
$5,000 do	114¾	100 Hudson R.	126
5,000 do	114½	200 do	126¼
$5,000 do	114½	200 Reading R.	97¾
100 Canton Co.	60	200 do	97¾
200 West. U. T.	97¾	100 do	97¾
100 Pacific Mail	34½	200 Mich. Cen.	131¾
		200 L. Shore & M. S.	106¾

NEW NATIONAL BOARD—NOON.

200 Adams Express	95½	200 Reading	97½
200 West. U. T.	97½	200 do	97¾
100 Pacific Mail	34½	100 Lake S. & M. S.	105½
100 New-York Cen.	215	100 Ohio & Miss. R.	30½
200 Hud. R.	127½	200 Clev. & Pitts.	87½
		100 Chi. & N. W.	91½

SATURDAY, July 31—P. M.

The announcement of the decease of Mr. HENRY KEEP caused the Stock Exchange Board, of which he was a highly respected member, to adjourn over until Monday, at an early hour this forenoon, and no official quotations of Stocks and Bonds were made or printed by the Board.

The death of Mr. KEEP had been painfully anticipated in Wall-street as well as his friends up town for several weeks. It was well known that his impaired strength was rapidly wasting away, since his return from Sharon Springs, early in July, so that the shock caused by the event of Friday night was not so severe as it might otherwise have been. But his removal from the active stage of financial life, on which he played a conspicuous and useful part, is not the less deplored, nor the sympathies of the business circle in which he moved, for his bereaved family, lessened. The important Northwest Railway Corporation, the pride of his later years of skill and labor, loses an eminent and successful Executive, and not the least of his services is illustrated by the forecast and prudence with which, under the calm resignation of a brave spirit prepared for death at any moment, he placed the affairs of this great trust, as well as his own large interest in it, in a condition that could not, by any reasonable probability, suffer by his removal. The following tribute to his personal, social and domestic qualities is from one who knew him intimately in all these relations:

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Probably a majority of the hundreds to whom the face and footsteps of the late Mr. KEEP had been for many years familiar in Wall-street were impressed with the idea that he was an austere, silent, unsocial man. His thoughtful face and reticent manner, his temperate and quiet ways, were, to those not well acquainted with him, indications of a character far different from that he actually possessed.

In the quiet of his home, surrounded by his family and friends, Mr. KEEP was eminently a social, companionable, communicative man. His conversational ability was marked. His shrewd, keen common sense, his astute analysis of men and motives, his varied experiences, from a boy "bound out" to a farmer to a millionaire in Fifth-avenue, his stories, and apt, quaint illustrations to point his argument—having the genuine flavor and appositeness of LINCOLN's humor—made him eagerly listened to by men with much more general reputation for social ability. Nor was Mr. KEEP at all a selfish or parsimonious man. He was temperate because he believed temperance, both in meat and drink, was necessary to the full development of man's best powers, and because for many of his later years, his health required it, but he did not preach restraint to others, and in his household dispensed a liberal, generous hospitality. He dispensed of his means to his less fortunate relatives with an open hand, and carried his friends in Wall-street into and out of many a successful scheme. His expression was, "Come with me, boys, I like company; there is enough for us all."

Mr. KEEP's fine natural ability would have achieved for him success in almost any walk of life, but the bent and structure of his mind was particularly fitted for forming and carrying out successfully large financial operations and combinations. Wary, cool, intrepid, skillful, with great pluck and boldness, and a temperament toward concentration from which no temptation could seduce him, he weathered many a gale when barks supposed to be stouter were obliged to shorten sail, and as he once said to the writer, "always gave the boys a check in the end." He will be sadly missed, and gratefully remembered by many whose fortunes he helped to swell, but nowhere so sadly missed and affectionately remembered as in the bereaved household, where he was not known as the successful financier and millionaire, but only as the kind, indulgent husband and father.

The Bank Statement in the Afternoon shows a liberal gain in the general line of Deposits, part of which is derived from the National Bank Currency paid out by the Treasury for United States 5-20s on Wednesday and Thursday. The Greenbacks are nearly two millions higher, and the Gold averages two and a quarter less, than on the previous return, which did not feel the shipments of American Gold Coin on Saturday last. The Treasury, during the week, received $9,492,000 for Customs, and paid out $1,147,000 for Gold Interest.

Gold ranged 134½@136½@136½ ₱ cent. through the day; the speculation dull, and the price but indifferently sustained, owing to the light Export of Specie, only $631,146 for the whole week. The Exchange market, however, left off firm at 110@110¼ ₱ cent. 60 days London.

The Stock market in all departments was made irregular by the early adjournment of the Board. The Public Funds showed increased firmness in prices, and some activity of demand early in the day, and after a partial reaction about 1 o'clock, left off steady at the following bids:

6 ₱ cent. reg., 1881	122¾	5-20 coup., n. i. 1868	122
6 ₱ cent. coup., 1881	122¾	5-20 coup., 1867	122¾
5-20 reg., 1862	122¾	5-20 coup., 1868	122¾
5-20 coup., 1862	122	10-40 reg	114¾
5-20 coup., 1864	122¾	10-40 coup	114¾
5-20 coup., 1865	122¾	6s Currency	109½

There was but little done in the Southern State Bonds, and only a moderate business in the New York and Western Bonds, with the exception of the Northwests, both of which were taken freely from parties disposed to sell on the loss of the President of the Company by death. The Reading Stock was also active, and at a great variety of prices, from 96 to 96¾, and up again to 98 ₱ cent. In the afternoon New York Central was quoted ex-4 ₱ cent. Dividend; the 4 ₱ cent. on the Scrip comes off on the 20th, when the Scrip itself must be presented.

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	Friday.	Saturday.
United States 10-40s	114¾	114¾
United States 5-20s of 1862	122¾	122
United States 5-20s of 1867	122¾	122¾
American Gold Coin	136½	136½
Bills on London, 60 days	110	110
New Bonds of Tennessee	56¾	56¾
Virginia Bonds, old	59	59
Missouri Bonds	97¾	97¾
North Carolina Bonds, new	61½	61½
New-York Central	214¾	*214¾
Reading Railway	96¾	97¾
Chicago and Rock Island	114¾	114¾
Northwest Common	81¾	82¾
Northwest Preferred	86¾	86¾
Michigan Southern	105¾	105¾
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	169¾	169¾
Cleveland and Pittsburg	107¾	107¾
Pacific Mail Company	34½	34½
St. Paul Preferred	68	68¾
St. Paul Common	77¾	78¾
Ohio and Mississippi	29¾	30¾
Hudson River	127½	128¾
Harlem	163¾	163

*Ex-Div.

The following is the report of Specie exported from the Port of New-York for the week ending July 31, 1869:

July 26—Brig Isabella, Para—	
American gold	$9,000
July 27—Steamship Columbia, Havana—	
American gold	20,000
July 27—Steamship Colombia, Paris—	
American gold	10,000
Mexican silver	25,000
Gold bars	26,400
Gold dust	1,500
July 28—Steamship Rhein, Southampton—	
American gold	112,700
Mexican dollars	50,000
July 28—Steamship Rhein, Southampton—	
Gold bars	14,984
July 29—Steamship Europe, Havre—	
Prussian silver	1,000
July 30—Steamship Virginia, Liverpool—	
Gold bars	10,000
July 31—Steamship City of Brooklyn, Liverpool—	
Silver bars	28,172
British gold	6,700
July 31—Steamship Arizona, Aspinwall—	
American silver	26,140
American gold	16,000
July 31—Steamship America, Southampton—	
Mexican dollars	28,127
July 31—Steamship Atlantic, Panama—	
American silver	27,000
English gold	6,700
Total	$561,793

The aggregate amount of imports (other than Dry Goods and Specie) at the Port of New-York for the week ending July 30, 1869, was $3,128,141.

The following is a statement of the business at the Office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, at New-York, in July:

June 30, 1869, by balance $94,268,819 12

Receipts during the month—		
On account of customs	$10,162,246 00	
On account of gold notes	7,025,940 00	
On account of internal revenue		
Tax	5,021,670 65	
On account of 3 ₱ cent. certificates	25,000 00	
On account of Post Office Department	220,829 62	
On account of treasury	16,670,402 27	
On account of patent fees	4,520 00	
On account of miscellaneous	2,207,166 24	
On account of disbursing accounts	6,021,026 00	
On account of Assay Office	35,777 40	
On account of interest accounts	24,720,059 72—	76,912,653 03
Total		$171,180,472 15
Payments—		
Treasury drafts	$20,292,662 60	
Post Office drafts	441,722 01	
Disbursing accounts	7,904,378 16	
Assay Office	145,649 94	
Interest accounts, viz.:		
In coin	17,384,425 74—	76,092,834 45
Balance		$95,304,640 70
Balance to credit Treasurer United States	$95,314,081 82	
Balance to credit disbursing accounts	9,015,679 02	
Balance to credit Assay Office	2,257,022 52	
Balance to credit interest accounts	18,678 32—	$96,604,048 72
Receipts of Customs in the month of July, 1869		10,162,246 00
Receipts of Customs in the month of July, 1868		9,855,523 95
July increase, 1869		$306,622 05

The following is a statement of the business at the United States Assay Office, at New-York, for the month ending July 31, 1869:

Deposits of gold:		
Foreign coins	$12,000 00	
Foreign bullion	10,000 00	
United States bullion	918,000 00—	$1,000,000 00
Deposits of silver, including purchases:		
Foreign coins	19,000 00	
Foreign bullion	15,000 00	
U. S. bullion, (contained in gold)	12,000 00	
U. S. bullion, (Colorado)	10,000 00	
U. S. bullion, (Lake Superior)	2,000 00	
U. S. bullion, (Nevada)	30,000 00—	88,000 00
Total deposits, payable in bars		$95,000 00
Total deposits, payable in coins		1,126,000 00
Grand total		$1,090,000 00
Gold bars stamped		$69,468 70
Silver bars stamped		20,469 75
Transmitted to U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, for coinage		65,520 00

The income of the Old Colony and Newport Railroad for the years ending May 31, 1868 and 1869, as reported by the *American Railroad Journal*, was as follows:

	1868.	1869.
From passengers	$768,000 75	$833,054 97
From freight	426,525 39	476,285 47
From expresses	25,776 43	24,827 54
From rents	19,249 64	20,422 16
From mail	23,918 26	13,647 98
From A. Holmes	36,000 51	.....
From miscellaneous	4,919 58	112 00
From extra baggage	2,119 37	1,672 32
Total	$1,304,449 53	$1,404,326 27
Expenditures, viz.:		
Passenger department	$66,941 38	$124,631 69
Transportation	105,077 81	114,118 25
Locomotive	226,359 20	234,086 42
Maintenance of way	162,291 16	162,045 89
General expenses	20,792 13	23,107 27
Miscellaneous	126,422 28	126,673 78
Total	$777,884 16	$860,642 94
Earnings less expenses	$527,289 37	$603,683 43
From which deducted—		
Town, City and State taxes	$52,200 00	
United States tax on gross receipts	15,162 79	
Interest and coupons paid	184,328 81—	236,690 79
Net income		$346,851 64
Balance of income per last report, (less debts charged off as worthless, $2,057 70)		193,556 23
Total		$540,107 87
Deduct dividends January and July, 1869, 3 per cent. each, and United States tax		313,203 64
Balance May 31, 1869		$227,905 23

There have been paid during the past year the bonds of 1869 maturing Dec. 1, 1867, $7,000; April 1, 1868, $1,000; April 1, 1869, $60,000; and the notes payable have been reduced $10,000—making the aggregate reduction of indebtedness, $82,000.

Trial Balance, May 31, 1869.

Construction	$7,778,473 22	
Rails, shop stock, &c.	150,470 21	
Cash	142,319 22	
Bills receivable	221,603 41	
Dorchester and Milton Branch Railroad Company	38,027 68	
Eastern Branch Railroad Company	54,000 00	
Contract accounts	32,978 62	
Total	$8,418,872 40	
Capital stock	$4,945,400 00	
Bonds due Sept. 1, 1870	9,000 00	
Bonds due Sept. 1, 1874	1,000 00	
Bonds due April 1, 1875	494,000 00	
Bonds due Sept. 1, 1876	1,000,000 00	
Bonds due Aug. 1, 1877	1,200,000 00	
Bonds due Sept. 1, 1884	10,000 00	
Bills payable	144,000 00	
Unpaid dividends	4,812 00	
Dividend payable July 1, 1869	148,193 22	
Agent's department	5,674 20	
Income account	227,865 20	
Total	$8,418,872 40	

President—HORACE GRAY. Directors—Onslow Stearns, Uriel Crocker, Benjamin Finch, Francis B. Hayes, Oliver Ames, Samuel L. Crocker, John S. Brayton and Minot Tirrell. Treasurer—John M. Washburn. Superintendent—W. H. Bullock.

The Philadelphia *North American* says of the Coal Trade:

"The past week has been a very unsettled and interesting one in the Coal Trade. Prices advanced nearly 25 cents on Monday and Tuesday from the general tone of the market was exceedingly firm, anticipating a still further increase in both rates and tolls. This great activity and change in feeling was directly owing to a cessation of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, and on Thursday, when it was currently reported and generally believed that that Company would resume in a few days, there was a slump in prices. It is also stated, and we believe it is a fact, that both the Delaware and Hudson and Delaware, Lackawanna and Western companies have made arrangements with the Pennsylvania Coal Company, so that by next week the entire coal region will be in full operation, and the Pennsylvania Coal Company, so that by next week the entire coal region of this State will be actively at work.

"If there is any reason at all in it and particularly that the coal following months will be very, or large as usual, it is certainly the fact that many men have become scattered through the Lehigh and Schuylkill districts, and it will take several weeks to induce them to return, as they are at present making high wages.

"This will prevent the increase from being as great as expected, and we now advise all to buy their supplies promptly during August, if they can be obtained, at any but excessive rates. We predict that, by next month, the demand and indications will be so big as to lead to advantage to not the shippers of coal, but the consumers, that prices will rule higher during October than at any previous time this year."

The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company have announced that, on and after the 1st proximo, there will be an advance of 25 cents per ton on all anthracite coal transported to Port Richmond for shipment, and a similar change to the Mud or City dock, would indicate a sound, wise and just policy on the part of the Railroad Company. It is virtually accepting that their interest in coal will always be of important weal for their companies, and they will continue at a fair and moderately remunerative rate, and to charge the Eastern trade whatever the market will warrant.

Coal-carrying vessels and barges have been extremely active, and the demand so great that rates on the former have advanced from 5 to 10 cents, and on the barges 5 cents.

The following is the price of coal by the cargo:

Schuylkill red ash	$7 00@7 25
Schuylkill lump	7 00@7 25
Schuylkill steamboat	7 00@7 25
Schuylkill broken	7 00@7 25
Schuylkill egg	7 00@7 25
Schuylkill stove	7 00@7 25
Schuylkill chestnut	7 00@7 25
Lehigh Mountain lump and stove	7 00@7 25
Lehigh Mountain broken	7 00@7 25
Lehigh Mountain egg	7 00@7 25
Lehigh Mountain stove	7 00@7 25
Lehigh Mountain chestnut	7 00@7 25

The following are the current rates of freights from Port Richmond for the week ending July 30:

Boston	9	Salem	9
Portsmouth	9	Newport	9
Providence	9	Providence	9
Charlestown	9	New-London	9
Portland	9	New-York	1 50
New-Bedford	9	Troy	9
Newport	9	Hackensack	9

From our correspondent at Foochow, China, under date of May 22, we have received the following interesting trade statistics:

"The revenue due the Chinese Government on imports and exports on foreign vessels is collected by foreigners. The Chief of this Revenue Bureau is Mr. ROBERT HART, who resides at Tekin. He employs principally Englishmen and Americans to assist him, though there are a few persons of other nationalities. The pay of those in the higher ranks of the service is liberal and generous. In this way he secures men of business talents of a high order to carry out his plans. The number of these Custom-houses in China is twenty-five, viz.: At Shanghai, Chinkiang, Newchow, Ningpo, Chefoo, Kiungchow, Tientsin, Tientsin-town, Newchwang, Canton, Kiungchow, Tientsin, Tientsin-town, Newchwang, Canton, Kiungchow, Hankow, Kiukiang, Foochow, Amoy, Chinkiang, Ningpo, Chefoo

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ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels in this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

VILLE DE PARIS.....SURGET.....SATURDAY, Aug. 7
LAFAYETTE.....ROUSSIN.....SATURDAY, Aug. 28
FERDINE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Sept. 4
ST. LAURENT.....LEMAIRE.....SATURDAY, Sept. 18

Rates of passage payable in gold, (wine included):
TO BREST OR HAVRE. First cabin, $140; second cabin, $90.
TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $95.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MCKENZIE, Agent, No. 55 Broadway.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE.

Favorite Clyde-built passenger steamers are intended to sail as follows:
COLUMBIA.....Aug. 3 | CAMBRIA.....Aug. 31
EUROPA.....Aug. 7 | IOWA.....Aug. 28
CALEDONIA.....Aug. 14 | BRITANNIA.....Sept. 4
and each SATURDAY thereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 12 o'clock, noon.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabin, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $75. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $140. Steerage, to Liverpool or Glasgow, $30. Steerage tickets, to Liverpool or Glasgow, $35. Prepaid Certificates from Derry, $27. Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Bremen, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates. India bills issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.

For further information apply at the company, first of Dey-st., or at the Company's office, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

China, Wednesday, Aug. 4 | Algeria, Thursday, Aug. 19
Siberia, Thursday, Aug. 11 | Scotia, Wednesday, Aug. 25
Russia, Wednesday, Aug. 11 | Malta, Thursday, Aug. 26
Palmyra, Thursday, Aug. 19 | Cuba, Wednesday, Sept. 1
Java, Wednesday, Aug. 25 | Tarifa, Thursday, Sept. 9

RATES OF PASSAGE
By the Wednesday steamers, 100 gold, including emigrant.
First Cabin....$130, gold. Second Cabin....$80, gold.
First Cabin to Paris....$150, gold.
By the Thursday and Saturday steamers.
First Cabin....$80, gold. Steerage....$30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.
Through Bills of Lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and other ports on the Continent; and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage, at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman Line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF BROOKLYN....Saturday, July 31, at A. M.
CITY OF WASHINGTON....Saturday, Aug. 7, 1 P. M.
CITY OF CORK, (via Halifax,)
Tuesday, Aug. 10, 1 P. M.
And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE
BY THE MAIL STEAMSHIPS SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. | PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin....$100 | Steerage....$30
To London.....105 | To London.....40
To Paris.....115 | To Paris.....45
PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMERS, VIA HALIFAX.
FIRST CABIN. | STEERAGE.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. | PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Liverpool.....$80 | Liverpool.....$40
Halifax.....20 | Halifax.....10
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....20 | St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....10
Steerage also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
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STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.
CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
From Pier No. 48 North River, WEDNESDAY.
MINNESOTA.....2,867 tons.....Aug. 4, at 3 P. M.
NEVADA.....3,035 tons.....Aug. 11, at 3 P. M.
COLORADO.....3,015 tons.....Aug. 18, at 3 P. M.
NEBRASKA.....3,202 tons.....Aug. 25, at 4 P. M.
MANHATTAN.....2,165 tons.....Sept. 1.
IDAHO.....2,500 tons.....Sept. 8.
CABIN PASSAGE.....(Gold).....$80.
STEERAGE.....(Currency).....$30.
Saloon and State Rooms all on Deck.
Storage Free on Board Company's Lighters.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.
STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.
From Pier No. 47 North River.
VIRGINIA, FORBES, Saturday, July 31, at 10 A. M.
DENMARK, DEAN, Saturday, Aug. 7, at 4 P. M.
ERIN, WEBSTER, Saturday, Aug. 14, at 10 A. M.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $75; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

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INMAN LINE.
CITY OF LIMERICK.....Aug. 6
CITY OF DUBLIN.....Sept. 1
And monthly thereafter throughout the season.
RATES OF EUROPEAN PASSAGE:
For freight or passage apply to
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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Cabin. | Steerage.
Outside. | Inside. | Second Cabin. | Steerage.
$150 | $100 | $75 | $50
Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,
ON 1ST, 11TH AND 21ST, EACH MONTH,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
ALASKA, Capt. GRAY, connecting with COLORADO, Captain PARKER.
Steamer leaving Aug. 11 connects closely with steamer JAPAN, leaving San Francisco Sept. 4 for China and Japan.
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.—Freight for steamer ALASKA, received until 4 P. M. on TUESDAY, Aug. 10.
All goods are forwarded free of commission, and all inland charges, &c.
For freight or passage tickets and all further information, apply at the Company's Ticket office on the Wharf, foot of Canal-st. F. R. LAWY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL,
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 2d of every month:
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. R. L. TITTLEPIERCE, Aug. 2.
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GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE STEAMSHIPS, AND CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA.
GREAT REDUCTION IN PASSENGER RATES TO ALL POINTS IN THE INTERIOR.
TWICE A WEEK,
WEDNESDAYS
AND
SATURDAYS.
The steamships
SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, July 31, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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LEO, Capt. BERNSON, WEDNESDAY, Aug. 4, from Pier No. 19 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, PERRINE & CO., Agents,
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SAN JACINTO, Capt. ASKINS, SATURDAY, Aug. 7, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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RAPIDAN, Capt. MALLORY, WEDNESDAY, Aug. 11, from Pier No. 19 North River, at 3 P. M.
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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.
TO SAVANNAH AND
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Having withdrawn from the associated lines, will run a semi-weekly independent line commencing early in August next.
This line will give through Bills of Lading to all points in connection with its Atlantic and Gulf Railroad and M. A. Cohen's line of steamers to Augusta, and give the lowest rates of freight on the Georgia Railroad, Southwestern Railroad, Macon and Western Railroad, Augusta and Savannah Railroad, Georgia Railroad, Augusta and Macon Railroad, Macon and Brunswick Railroad, Macon and Augusta Railroad, Macon and Brunswick Railroad, and all landings on Chattahoochee River.
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FOR COney ISLAND.—THE STEAMBOAT SYLVAN SHORE, Captain R. T. WILSON, makes regular trips to Coney Island, leaving Peck-slip, Pier No. 24 East River, at 9:30, 11:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 11:30, 2:30; Fulton ferry, Brooklyn, at 9, 12 and 3 o'clock.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, BEED BANK AND GLOVE ISLAND.—The steamer SEA BIRD will leave New-York, foot of Warren-st., as follows:
LEAVES NEW-YORK. | LEAVES REED BANK.
Sat., July 31.....9:30 A. M. | Sat., July 31.....1 P. M.
Sun., Aug. 1.....9 A. M. | Sun., Aug. 1.....3 P. M.
Mon., Aug. 2.....7 A. M. | Mon., Aug. 2.....7 A. M.
Mon., Aug. 2.....11 A. M. | Mon., Aug. 2.....2 P. M.
Tues., Aug. 3.....11 A. M. | Tues., Aug. 3.....2 P. M.
Wed., Aug. 4.....12:30 P. M. | Wed., Aug. 4.....4:30 P. M.

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ALBANY AND TROY DAY LINE—A CHANGE OF TIME.—The steamboats C. VIBARD and DANIEL DREW will on and after THURSDAY, July 8, leave Dexter-st., at 8, and 34th-st. at 8:15, landing at Yonkers, West Point, Cornwall, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Catskill and Hudson. Tickets sold and baggage checked on board the boats to all points on New-York Central and Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroads.

REGULAR SUNDAY MORNING BOAT Riley's Point, Cold Spring and Newburgh, stopping at Yonkers on the way. The favorite steamer PARTHENIA, Capt. CHARLES, leaves Peck-slip, Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn, at 8 A. M.; Christopher-st., North River, at 8:15 A. M., foot of 34th-st., North River, at 8 o'clock, allowing two hours at Newburgh. Fare 50 cts. each way.

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REGULAR SUNDAY BOAT FOR KEYPORT.—On and after SUNDAY, June 13, the steamboat GENERAL SEDGWICK will make her regular trips from New-York and Keyport, making the usual landings. Leaving foot of Barclay-st. at 8 A. M.; leaving steamboat landing, Keyport, at 4 P. M.

STEAMER D. R. MARTIN, FOR Huntington, Cold Spring, Oyster Bay and Bayville, daily at 4 P. M. from Pier No. 14 East River, one block below Wall-st. Touching at 26th-st. and 34th-st. piers, at 10 o'clock. Excursion tickets. Barney & Keating's Huntington and Oyster Bay Express on board.

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SUNDAY BOAT FOR GLEN COVE, Sea-Cliff and Glen Head.—Steamer ARROWSMITH will leave Peck-slip, Pier No. 24 East River, SUNDAY, Aug. 1, at 9 A. M., stopping at 26th-st. each way.

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Viley Wins the Four-Year-Old Sweepstakes—Helmbold Victorious.

The fifth annual race meeting at Saratoga commenced to-day under auspices of the most flattering character. The village is full of visitors, for the fashionable season culminates during the race week. The weather is delightfully fine, the sun being hid behind a dense vail of clouds, and a gentle breeze agreeably tempering the atmosphere. The grand stand was crowded with a large and highly fashionable assemblage, the presence of numbers of elegantly-dressed ladies adding to the interest and attractiveness of the scene. The most prominent turfmen of the United States were present; for the Saratoga meeting is the rallying point for the leading stables of the Southern, Western and Eastern States to come together and contend for the rich prizes that the Racing Association here offer for public competition. The track was in splendid order, and evidenced the care and attention expended on it by the able clerk of the course, Mr. CHARLES WHEATLEY. The judges were Governor BOWIE, of Maryland, President of the Baltimore Jockey Club; WILLIAM TRAVERS, President of the Saratoga Association, and CHARLES WOOLSEY, President of the Buckeye Association. Messrs. J. S. WATSON and W. CONNOR were the official starters, and Messrs. J. SMITH, of Cincinnati, and NELLIGAN, of New-Orleans, timers.

There were two matches and a sweepstakes for four-year olds, two-mile heats, on the programme; but in one of the former, in which Mr. CAMERON's bay filly *Miss Alice*, by *Lexington*, out of *Jerusalem*, was matched against Messrs. DENISON & CRAWFORD's bay filly by *Censor*, out of *Pasta*, for $2,500, an unfortunate occurrence rendered the race void. Mr. CAMERON's filly, while at exercise on the previous morning, balked on the track and ran violently against the fence, a large splinter penetrating her chest and killing her instantaneously. This was a serious loss to Mr. CAMERON, for the filly was one of great promise, and at the Jerome Park meeting this Spring, on her first appearance in public, won the great $10,000 match against Messrs. DENISON & CRAWFORD's *Censor* colt, out of *The Gleaner*. The other match, between Mr. BELMONT's ch. f. *Finesse*, 3 years, by *Lexington*, dam imp. *Filagree*, and Messrs. HUNTER & TRAVERS' ch. f. *Intrigue*, 2 years, by imp. *Balrownie*, dam *Jenny Rose*, for $5,000, ended in the latter paying forfeit.

The sweepstakes for four-year olds, $1,000 each, two-mile heats, was the first race that was run. The entries for it were H. P. MCGRATH's br. m. *Biddy Malone*, BOWIE & HALL's b. c. *Viley*, and T. G. MOORE's g. c. *General Ewell*. The pools sold as follows: *Biddy Malone*, $100; *General Ewell*, $60, and *Viley* $35.

FIRST HEAT.—*General Ewell* was first off, with the favorite last, but in going around the turn the latter went past the other two, and carried on that running. At the quarter-pole *Biddy Malone* was leading *Viley* two lengths, with *General Ewell* a length behind the latter, and they ran thus along the backstretch and to the half-mile pole. On the lower stretch the favorite still kept a gap of two lengths open, and as they passed the stand on the first mile, in 1:54, the same positions were held. *General Ewell* now began to fall behind, and the heat was evidently confined to *Biddy Malone* and *Viley*. Going along the backstretch *Viley* closed rapidly on the favorite, and as they passed the half-mile pole he was at her saddle girths; the *General* ten lengths behind. *Biddy Malone* shook off *Viley* on the third quarter, but in coming up the homestretch the latter came again with a rush, collared and passed the favorite at the distance, and won the heat by two lengths, in 3:42½; *General Ewell* a dozen lengths behind.

SECOND HEAT.—*Viley* now became the favorite at $425 against $120 for *Biddy Malone*, and $115 for *General Ewell*. A good start was had, *Biddy Malone* showing a head on the turn, and when the quarter-pole was reached she was leading two lengths, with *Viley* and *General Ewell* head and head. They ran thus along the backstretch and to the half-mile, *Biddy* still leading and the other two locked together. Along the third quarter the race between *Viley* and *General Ewell* was most exciting, for they were lapped at every stride, *Biddy Malone* leading them a length as they turned into the homestretch. At the distance *General Ewell* passed *Viley* and with *Viley*, and collaring *Biddy Malone*, the pair ran locked under the string, two lengths before *Viley*. After rounding the turn *General Ewell* fell back beaten, and *Viley* closed a little on the filly, who was a length ahead at the quarter, *Viley* gradually gained along the backstretch, and at the half-mile was at her head. A magnificent race home now ensued, *Viley* at the distance slightly leading, and the rider of *Biddy* calling on her with whip and spur. His efforts were unavailing, for *Viley*, running gamely and resolutely, beat her to the stand by a length, in 3:43; *General Ewell* twenty lengths behind.

SUMMARY.

SARATOGA COURSE, July 31.—Private Sweepstakes, $1,000 each, two-mile heats.

Bowie & Hall's b. c. Viley 4 years	1	1
H. P. McGrath's br. f. Biddy Malone, 4 years	2	2
T. G. Moore's g. c. General Ewell, 4 years	3	3

Time—3:42½, 3:43.

SAME DAY.—Match $5,000. One mile.

A. Belmont's ch. f. Finesse, 3 years; received forfeit.
Hunter & Travers' ch. f. Intrigue, 2 years; paid forfeit.

The Association gave a purse of $500 for a one and three-quarter mile dash, in consequence of the disappointment regarding other races, for which were entered LITTLEFIELD'S *Mitchell*, three years; SANFORD'S *King Henry*, three years; WELDON'S *Aldebaran*; O'DONNELL'S *General Duke*, four years; BABCOCK'S *Helmbold*, late *Dublin*, and SHEA'S *Climax*, aged. *Helmbold* beat *Climax* two lengths, *General Duke* was a bad third, *Mitchell* and *King Henry* were beaten off, *Aldebaran* was left at the post. Time, 3:13. *Climax* led for a mile and a quarter, when *Helmbold* took the lead. The betting before the false start was: *Climax*, $500; *Helmbold*, $450; *General Duke*, $120; *King Henry*, $100; *Aldebaran*, $20; *Mitchell*, $20. Previous to the race a false start occurred, and all except *Helmbold* ran three-quarters of a mile before stopping, and *Helmbold* became a decided favorite in consequence; the pool betting being very heavy, some amounting to $2,000 or $3,000. The prospects for the commencement of the regular meeting next Wednesday are brilliant.

New and Curious Process of Distillation.

An exhibition took place yesterday at the distillery of Mr. E. D. BANNISTER, of a new process of distillation invented by him, which, in the opinion of chemists present, is calculated to materially affect the immense whisky interests of the country, and so far revolutionize the manufacture of alcohol, spirits and whisky as to produce articles on which the Government tax can be honestly paid, and still leave a handsome profit to the manufacturer and dealer. The process, besides cheapening these articles, produces at a single distillation alcohol, spirits or whisky free from fusel oil and other impurities than can be produced by the old process by repeated distillations. The invention, secured by letters patent, can be applied to the stills in common use, and at very little expense. The success of the exhibition yesterday was generally conceded by scientific gentlemen present.

The process is very simple, and interesting alike to manufacturers and scientific men, not to speak of the innumerable hords of "steady drinkers" who object to the large proportion of fusel oil which they imbibe in their "copper-distilled" beverages. The mash is placed in a common pine still, and heated until the spirits which it contains is vaporized, and passes into a small copper still charged with water, through which the vapors are passed without boiling the water. The fusel oil, of course, rises to the top of the water and there remains, as the degree of heat is controlled by the continuous introduction of cold water and regulated by a thermometer.

Morristown (N. J.) Camp Meeting.

The Newark M. E. Conference Camp Meeting will be opened on the 23d of this month by Rev. JOHN S. FOSTER, under the auspices of the Camp Meeting Association. The grounds on which the meeting will be held, comprising thirty acres at Denville, near Morristown, have been purchased by the Association at a cost of $6,500. The tents, named after the Bishops of the Church, are letting at $20 each. An immense gathering is expected.

Newark and New York Travel.

The contest for the carrying of passengers between the New-Jersey and the Newark and New York Railroads has been placed upon an equality, with respect to rates of fare, by a compromise between the two Companies. The rate over the Newark and New-York Railroad, it was promised, would be very low, the figure named for single trip tickets being fifteen cents. By the published schedule, however, it appears that the Company will charge twenty cents, and that excursion tickets will be sold at thirty-five cents—a figure only slightly lower than that charged by the New-Jersey Railroad. In accordance with the agreement which is said to have been made between the two Companies, the New-Jersey Railroad yesterday announced a reduction, their tickets prior offered at the same price as those demanded by the new road. This equality is now enjoyed with the advantages possessed by the New-Jersey Railroad Company in its three depots in Newark, will doubtless enable them to retain a large share of the passenger traffic.

BASE BALL.

Mutuals against Maryland—Defeat of the New-Yorkers.

After the complete victories of the Eckfords and Atlantics over the Maryland champions, it seemed certain that the latter would suffer another defeat when they met the famous Mutuals. Contrary to expectation, however, yesterday afternoon the Baltimore nine worsted the ex-champions of New-York by a score of 32 to 27, in a well contested game. This result greatly elated the Southern boys, and they left this City last night anything but crestfallen. They have gone to Philadelphia, where they are to play again, to-morrow and Tuesday, with the Keystones and Athletics.

Their match yesterday with the Mutuals came off at the Union Grounds, and was witnessed by nearly 2,000 spectators. The latter appeared in their new uniform of white flannel pantaloons, shirts, and caps, and dark green stockings, which was generally admired for its taste. The game was called at 25 o'clock, with the Marylands in the field, who in the first innings made a very poor show, missing four good chances to put out the Mutuals. In the second and third innings their fielding grew worse, and muffs were of frequent occurrence. They handled the bat well, however, and at the beginning of the fifth inning had scored 16 runs to 26 of their opponents'. The Mutuals were hardly better than the Marylands in the field, but struck more heavily.

From the fifth inning the game changed materially. The Marylands increased their score by 10 runs, while the Mutuals added but 1 to theirs. The latter here changed their pitcher from WOLTERS to SWANDELL, in hopes of keeping down the batting of the Marylands, and the latter also made changes, sending BUCK to first base and WORTHINGTON to third. At this stage the game was becoming interesting. The Marylands improved their field play, and batted SWANDELL'S balls nearly as easily as they did WOLTERS'. In the sixth inning they whitewashed the Mutuals very neatly and added 3 more runs to their score, which put them 3 ahead. There was much excitement now among the betting portion of the spectators, and all watched the continuance of the game with increased interest. The Mutuals had three more innings to pull up and defeat the Marylands, who were now doing their best to win the game, and every good play and every run on each side was greeted with cheers. But it was too late for the ex-champions to better themselves, and the victory was won by the Marylands. The defeat of the Mutuals was owing to the pitching of WOLTERS, who gave the Marylands just the balls they wanted.

The following is the score:

MUTUALS.

	O.	R.
Hatfield, 2d b.	3	4
E. Mills, 1st b.	3	4
Flanly, 2d c.	3	4
C. Mills, c.	3	3
Swandell, l. f.	3	3
Norton, s. s.	3	3
McMahon, r. f.	3	3
Wolters, p.	3	2
Eggler, c. f.	4	1
Total	27	27

MARYLAND.

	O.	R.
Hooper, r. f.	1	5
Goldsmith, 2d b.	2	4
Cope, p.	3	4
Sillman, s. s.	2	3
Mincher, l. f.	3	4
Worthington, 1st b.	4	3
Buck, 3d b.	3	3
Lennon, c.	3	4
Armstrong, c. f.	4	2
Total	27	32

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	
Mutuals	4	12	7	1	1	0	1	0	0	—27
Marylands	2	12	3	0	10	3	0	2	0	—32

Time of game—2 hours, 10 minutes.
Umpire—Mr. JOHN CHAPMAN, of the Atlantics.

The May-Baker Forgery.

The marriage-certificate forgery case, which, at the time it was first noticed, created much excitement, has been brought up again by the arrest, on Friday last, of JAMES H. DONNELLY, of Hudson City, on a charge of perjury.

This action grows out of an old family quarrel between MICHAEL MAY and RICHARD W. MAHER, over some property of a deceased sister of MAHER, and sister-in-law of MAY, in Georgia. This woman had been the wife of THOMAS MAY, a brother of MICHAEL MAY, who had died some prior to her death, and whose property she inherited. When she died MICHAEL MAY took possession of the property, but was subsequently ejected by MAHER. In order to show title to the property, MAY soon after devised with two relatives a conspiracy to prove a marriage between himself and the deceased woman. A forged certificate of a marriage purporting to have taken place between the parties on the 3d of May, 1866, before Justice DILLOWAY, was drawn; and through the cooperation of a boy then engaged in the Clerk's office of Hudson County, marked and filed as of June, 1866. A certified copy of this certificate was afterward got from the County Clerk, who was ignorant of what his boy had done; and under this copy MAY sought and was awarded possession of the Georgia property, then worth about $15,000, but subsequently sold in pieces for a large amount.

Mr. MAHER, advised by Justice MAINES, of Hudson City, whom MAY had endeavored to bribe with $1,000 into cooperation with him in the villainous plot, took the certificate into Court to prove its genuineness. Interrogatories were sent by the Georgia Court into Hudson City. These were answered by JAMES H. DONNELLY, the man just arrested, and the answers sent back to Augusta. These proved its genuineness. MAHER afterward, at the instance of Justice MAINES, had two of the conspirators arrested and tried, but no conviction was arrived at. The jury, after fourteen hours' deliberation, decided that they were unable to agree and were discharged.

MAY and DONNELLY, at the time of the arrest of the tried conspirators, fled. No trace has been since got of MAY, nor had any been got of DONNELLY until Friday night, when he was taken into custody after a long chase down and then a severe struggle, by Constable OSBLOW, under bench warrant.

The Tailors' Strike.

The strike of shop tailors presented no new features yesterday. With the exception of a few ludicrous scenes at the different shops on strike, at each of which a watch is stationed to warn men from taking out work, no disturbance occurred. Occasionally those watches would have a little difficulty with the porters and other employes of the proscribed shops, but were not interfered with by the Police. It appears that the latter are disposed to let the strikers alone so long as they do not disturb the public peace.

The Executive Committee was in session yesterday, as usual, receiving reports and issuing orders. At the Williamsburg Ferry, a watch of a dozen men was stationed to "post" the tailors coming from that vicinity. This watch business is extremely annoying and obnoxious to the employers, but they can do nothing to prevent it.

Last evening a crowded meeting was held at KANE'S, in Avenue A, when the present state of the strike and its prospective results were discussed. Short addresses were made encouraging the strikers to be firm and to persevere in the struggle. From present appearances the strike, which is now supported by nineteen shops, will continue some time longer, and may extend to the minor establishments in the trade. To-day a mass meeting in reference to this matter will be held at the Germania Assembly Rooms.

Card from Messrs. Elfelt, Levi & Co.

NO. 123 CHURCH-STREET, July 31, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

We would politely ask you to correct two statements in to-day's issue of the TIMES.

The allegation that porters in our employ have roughly handled members of the Tailors' Union is without the least foundation of truth, and your general but by no means liberal allusion to the race that has a peculiar penchant for the "clothing trade," we do not wish to have applied to ourselves. We can give no better proof of the fairness which characterizes our dealings with our hands than to inform you that not one tailor has either refused our work or asked for higher wages. We remain, dear Sir, respectfully yours,

ELFELT, LEVI & CO.

A Counterfeit Operator Arrested.

JOHN FLYNN, a peddler, entered the lager beer saloon of HERMAN SCHRODER, at No. 120 Greenwich-street, yesterday, when the bar-keeper, LUDWIG OLENBETTEL, purchased two bar aprons from him for $2, giving the peddler eight 25-cent stamps. FLYNN went away, but soon after entered the liquor store corner of Houston and Wooster streets, where he gave the stamps in exchange for a $5 bill. As the stamps were found to be all counterfeit, FLYNN was arrested. He explained his manner of getting possession of the stamps. OLENBETTEL was then taken in custody, and is held for examination before an United States Commissioner. FLYNN was discharged.

Movements of President Grant.

General GRANT, accompanied by HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State, and General PORTER, arrived at the Astor House yesterday morning at 6:20, from Washington. Very few persons were aware of his arrival, and the President was allowed to retire in peace to his room, where he lay down for a couple of hours. At 8:30 he breakfasted and immediately started in a carriage for the Reeton-street wharf, where he got on board the steamship *Newcastle*, of the Delaware and Raritan line, for Long Branch.

Accident on the Long Island Railroad.

Yesterday afternoon, as the 4:30 Northport train on the Long Island Railroad was entering Jamaica, a young man, named EDWARD GONZALEY, of No. 207 Third-avenue, this City, attempted to get on board one of the cars, and in so doing lost his hold of the railing, and falling between two of the cars, had his left leg and foot horribly mangled. Dr. HUNTINGTON dressed his wound, and he may possibly survive without the amputation of having the limb amputated.

THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Imprisonment of Delinquents Justified by the Law.

The Authority Under which they are Thrust into Ludlow-street Jail.

A New Words Explanatory of the Law—Who are the Sufferers—Miscellaneous News and Gossip.

The recent arrest and imprisonment of one of two delinquent members of the National Guard, in this City, in consequence of their neglect to obey the mandates of regimental Courts-martial, has attracted considerable public attention, more especially among those classes who have no connection with or accurate knowledge of the working system of our uniformed militia. The idea that a citizen can be suddenly arrested by a Deputy Sheriff or Constable and imprisoned because he declines to pay his company dues and fines for the non-performance of duty, strikes many people as being decidedly antagonistic to the liberties of the citizen. The fact, also, that persons thus arrested can be thrust into that vile Ludlow-street Jail, makes the matter yet more serious in the minds of those who consider the question purely from a civic point of view. Yet the matter is capable of concise explanation, which will tend to disabuse the minds of those who consider the subject from one side only.

In the first place, the fact that the National Guard of the State of New-York is, in reality, a complete military organization, seems to be generally overlooked by those who are ostensibly opposed to the right of imprisonment as conferred by the laws governing our uniformed militia. As it stands at present, the New-York State National Guard is a model organization, and military men throughout the country invariably look to it for example and guidance in the matter of formation and regulation of armed and uniformed militia. What little has ever been done in the way of organizing a national militia has been in the direction of extending our militia system throughout the length and breadth of the land. Indeed, it was in furtherance of this great idea that our militia received the name of "National Guard." As a military organization the New-York State Militia must be governed by strict military law, else the whole fabric will naturally fall to pieces through a lack of discipline. But it will be said the laws of the National Guard as they stand at present are very arbitrary and unpleasant to the general principles of our civil government. The only reply that can be made to this is that all military law is arbitrary, and it is necessary that it should be so, and this fact was fully acceded and concurred in during our late war as eminently proper. It is a natural deduction, therefore, that the laws governing the National Guard should be as arbitrary now as in time of war, or there is no use for laws at all.

Many persons of sober mind and unbiased judgment consider this power of imprisonment, as conferred by the law, to be an element of weakness in the organization of our militia, a weakness which will eventually lead to the demoralization if not disbandment of the entire body of National Guard troops. At first sight this view would seem a natural one, though it is soon dispelled by investigation, for the law will be found to be oppressive only upon those who have heedlessly entered the organization and subsequently refuse or neglect to perform the duty they know full well they are liable to be called on to perform. There are too many men in the National Guard who are willing to do duty as soldiers, merely to gratify their martial inclinations, who are not willing to submit to, or droop or die; therefore the obstinacy of a few will not materially affect the general body.

Now let us consider this question in all its bearings, taking care, however, to give the military side a fair show. Chapter 477 of the laws of 1868 is the law provided for the organization of the militia, the organization and discipline of the National Guard of the State of New-York, and for the public defence. In section 1 of this law it is declared that all able-bodied white male citizens, and persons of foreign birth, who shall have declared on their intention to become citizens, under, and in pursuance of the laws thereof, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, residing in this State, and not exempted by the laws of the United States, shall be subject to military duty, excepting, among other classes, those who have performed military duty in the National or State service.

Section 20 provides that "The Commander-in-Chief of the militia of this State—who is the Governor of the State—shall organize and arrange the same, and the districts therefor, into divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions, squadrons, troops, companies, and separate, and cause the same to be numbered as nearly in conformity to the laws of the United States as local circumstances and the public convenience may permit."

Section 25 states that "The organization of the National Guard shall conform to the provisions of the laws of the United States, and their system of discipline and exercise shall conform as nearly as may be to that of the army of the United States as it now is or may hereafter be prescribed by Congress."

Subsequent sections provide for the equipment and uniforming of the members of the regular militia, the officers being obliged to furnish two uniforms during the term of service, and members electing to uniform themselves are allowed commutation therefor. In return for the privileges accorded members of the militia, and the expense incurred in pursuing a life in supporting the organization, each member is required to perform a requisite amount of military duty, in the shape of a certain number of drills and parades.

The law, in section 150, also provides that, "Every officer, non-commissioned officer, musician and private of any uniformed company, who shall neglect or refuse to appear for drill or duty, at the time and place appointed for such duty, agreeably to the provisions of this act, shall be subject to such fines and penalties as are hereinafter provided."

In sections 152 and 154 the code states that "The military forces of this State, when in the actual service of the State in time of war, insurrection, invasion or imminent danger thereof, shall, during their time of service, be entitled to the same pay, rations and allowances for clothing as are or may hereafter be established by law for the army of the United States; and there shall be paid to such officers, non-commissioned officers and privates as shall be specially ordered to attend encampments, and sea and lake coast defense duty, the following sum each, for every day actually on duty: To all non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, $1; to all commissioned officers of the line below the rank of Captain, $3; and to all commanding officers of companies, $5; and the sum so acquired shall be in full."

It also provided that the National Guard shall be liable for duty in the field in case of emergency or war.

These sections explicitly show that the National Guard is a regularly organized military body, and as such must be governed according to military law, which is necessarily an arbitrary one. The plea, therefore, that it is purely a social organization falls to the ground.

In relation to Courts-martial the law provides in sections from 225 to 237, that the commandant of each brigade may, at any time appoint a regimental or battalion Court-martial for the trial of delinquents. The appointment of said Court shall be published in orders at least three weeks previous to the convening of the Court; and the officer appointing said Court shall fix the day on which it shall convene, and when convened, the Court may adjourn from time to time as shall become necessary for the transaction of business. The proceedings and sentence of every Court-martial shall, without delay, be delivered to the officer ordering the Court, who shall approve or disapprove thereof, within fifteen days thereafter, and shall give notice of his approval or disapproval to the President of such Court-martial and to the arresting officer. The sentence of any such Court-martial shall be according to the nature and degree of the offence, and according to military usage. It shall not be in further, in time of peace, than cashiering the commissioned, and disqualifying him from holding any office in the militia of this State, and imposing a fine not exceeding $100.

The Court, when organized, shall have the trial of all officers, delinquents and defaulters, in the regiment or battalion for which it shall have been called, and shall have power to impose and direct to be levied all the fines to which non-commissioned officers, musicians or privates are declared to be subject by the provisions of this act. From the sentence of any such Court, imposing a fine for any offence, delinquency or deficiency, an appeal, if made within twenty days, shall be allowed to the officer instituting the Court, or to his successor in command, who may remit or mitigate such penalty or fine.

Delinquents have, it will be seen, ample opportunity for securing immunity from fine by taking advantage of the provisions of the law. Indeed there is no instance on record where a delinquent, having filed a proper excuse for the non-performance of duty, has been compelled to pay fine or suffer imprisonment. The utmost latitude is ever allowed to such persons, and the rigor of the law is only enforced where members proved incorrigible and defiant. Indeed we know of instances where the regimental commander has offered to remit all fines if the member he was wont could be induced to duty. It is only obstinate men who find the law cutting.

In accordance with the law all the expenses of such Courts-martial are paid out of the military fund of said regiment, and each officer to whom a warrant for the collection of fines may be directed, is entitled to collect, and is subject to the same penalties for any neglect, as are allowed and provided for an executions issued out of Justices' Courts. For all other services and commitments under this act, the sheriff, jailor and constable of any county in which shall be cast the line fees as for similar services in other cases. All fines and penalties imposed by any regimental or battalion Court-martial, shall be paid by the officer collecting the same to the Treasurer of the county. The Court-martial by which any delinquent is tried may excuse such delinquent if it shall be made satisfactorily to appear to the Court that he has a reasonable excuse for such delinquency.

For the purpose of collecting such fines as may be imposed by any Court-martial authorized by this act, the President of the Court shall, within thirty days after the fines have been imposed, make a list of all the persons fined, designating the company to which they respectively belong, and the sum imposed as fines on each person, and shall draw his warrant under his hand and seal, directed to any marshal, sheriff or constable of any city or county, (as the case may be,) thereby commanding him to levy such fine or fines, together with the costs of the goods and chattels of such delinquents. No property shall be exempt from the execution which shall be *in default of sufficient goods and chattels with which to satisfy the same, then to take the body of such delinquent and convey him to the common jail of such city or county. Payment of all fines imposed by any Court-martial expressly pursuant to the provisions of this act, for the trial of officers, may be enforced in the manner.*

So important of notice was this latter clause deemed by the Adjutant-General, that he published it in italics, in order that special attention might be directed thereto.

Such are the leading points of the military code of this State, and it would appear to be equable and just in all its provisions. The great trouble in this matter of delinquency is that many of our young men rush into the National Guard without making proper inquiry into the requirements of the service or the penalties laid down for neglect of duty. When any member takes advantage of the law in all its several bearings, he never has any trouble, for there are innumerable instances where members have had their fines remitted by showing good cause therefor, or even pleading ignorance. Having had considerable experience of the actual working of the National Guard systems, we believe that no cases of arbitrary arrests or imprisonment would ever occur, were the delinquents to evince a proper spirit and not defy the authority of their officers. It is proposed, we understand, to contest the constitutionality of the law; and it is to be hoped that speedy action may be had in the matter, though it is difficult to see how the efficiency of the uniformed militia can be maintained unless there is some law to compel the performance of duty, voluntarily assumed by those persons enrolling themselves in the National Guard. That we need a military force, liable for instant service in cases of emergency or not, there can be no doubt, and the better disciplined that force is, the more serviceable it will be when called upon to defend the public peace.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Considerable movement has recently been had in regard to a visit of the Twenty-second Regiment to the pleasant little village of Sing Sing. The corporate authorities have already tendered the officers of the Regiment an invitation to repeat their former visit, and it is anticipated that the command will make the proposed excursion in the early part of next month. The programme as at present sketched will consist of a dinner to the command, a battalion drill and dress parade, the festivities to conclude with a hop in the evening at one of the hotels.

The members of Company G, Eighth Regiment, who intend going on the excursion to Karl's Park, Morrisania, are requested to report at the armory, in fatigue uniform, both cross belts and white gloves, on Thursday next, at 8 A. M. The Company will leave by the 11 A. M. boat from Peck-slip. The regular monthly meeting will be held at the armory on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, when the final arrangements for the excursion will be made.

Captain Veery, of Company D, Twenty-second Regiment, when in Providence, recently, waited upon the officers of the Providence Light Infantry, and tendered an invitation to their organization, on behalf of Companies B, D and G, of the Twenty-second Regiment, to pay a visit to this City, and the guests of those companies during their stay. The invitation was accepted, and it is understood that the visit will be made early in October, the Providence battalion to remain here two days.

The following changes are announced in the Forty-seventh Regiment: Lieutenant A. H. Doughty, elected Captain Co. B, vice DUNCAN, resigned; Adjutant George E. Orton, Captain Co. D, vice Cooper, resigned; Lieutenant W. T. DeNyse, First Lieutenant Co. B, vice Doughty, promoted; and Sergeant George Volck, Second Lieutenant Co. B, vice DeNyse, promoted; Sergeant-Major Guy R. Gomans, appointed Adjutant, vice George E. Orton, elected Captain of Co. D.

The Examining Board of the Forty-seventh Regiment, consisting of Lieutenant-Colonel Geary, Major Rogers and Adjutant Gomans, will meet on Tuesday next, at the Armory, and thereafter, as well as on the first Tuesday of every month. The positions of Sergeant-Major, Hospital Steward and Sergeant Standard-bearers being vacant, members of the Regiment desirous of receiving such appointments will make application in writing to the Commandant of the Regiment, at once, and will appear before the Examining Board, on the evening of the 3d inst., at 8 o'clock. Sergeant McCormick, of Company A, having volunteered as Sergeant Standard-bearer, on the visit of the battalion to New-Haven, the Commandant has expressed his appreciation of the gentleman's conduct on that occasion, and says that he may be enabled, should the Sergeant so desire, to announce him as a member of the non-commissioned staff.

The General Court-martial, for the trial of Colonel Krehbiel, of the Ninety-sixth Regiment, charges preferred against Brigadier-General Second Brigade Commander, have held one meeting at the armory of the First Regiment Cavalry, West Thirteenth-street, where it organized, and adjourned to meet sometime in September.

Company K, of the Eighth Regiment, intend having a Summer-nights festival, on the 11th inst., when they will make a visit to Theodore Thomas' Concerts, at the Central Park Garden. The members will attend in civic costume.

Adjutant Bush has been elected Major, in the Fifty-sixth Regiment, and has accepted the position tendered him.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Darrow, formerly of the Eighty-second Regiment N. Y. V., and late Captain of the Second Company of Continentals, of this City, will take place to-day from the receiving vaults in Green Wood Cemetery to their final resting place. The necessary arrangements for the obsequies of this gallant officer will be furnished by the Fourteenth of Brooklyn, six companies of which Regiment will parade under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel De Revoise.

THE M'CLELLAN-DOWLING CASE.

Decision of Judge Cardozo—Supreme Court, Special Term.

His Honor Judge CARDOZO has rendered an important decision in the McClellan-Dowling case. The following are its principal points:

It is very well settled in this State that a *mandamus* will not issue when there is another adequate remedy, but that the converse of that is not invariably true. Therefore, although except by that writ, a party may be remediless, that does not necessarily require that it should issue, but the application for it rests in the sound discretion of the Court, which will grant or refuse it according as the issuing or withholding it will best promote the ends of justice. Guided by these simple rules, there can be no difficulty in disposing of this motion. It is plain that a *mandamus* should not issue. The case fails to disclose any personal malevolence against the relator, but very clearly shows that Mr. Justice DOWLING and his associate, Mr. Justice KELLY, have long set themselves against A system which has become so odious to the bar of the city that one eyes to the existence—a system which drives many reputable men from Courts which formerly were graced by the learning and character of such men as the Hoffmans, the Grahams, the Bradys, the Blunts, the Sandfords and the O'Conors of our profession, and which should be hooted by their legitimate successors, but who feel that the class against whom the action of the respondents is directed bring practice in the criminal Courts into disrepute. Until this shameless conduct shall cease, and the disreputable practitioners are driven from among us, I see no safety for those of the poorer class who are charged with crime before the inferior criminal tribunals, unless, as I trust will be done, the Legislature, adopting the wise and humane suggestion in the *Tribune* of the 16th inst., shall interfere, and provide for the employment by the county of some reputable lawyer to protect that unfortunate class of citizens, just as we now protect the rights of the rest of the people of the State by employing a public prosecutor. If, in efforts directed against a system and a class to guard the purities of the profession against the unworthy, an innocent individual should occasionally suffer temporarily, it is to be deplored, but I should still hesitate very long before attempting to control, by mandamus, the action of Magistrates who, even if it be conceded that they have exceeded the strict limit of their authority, are acting for the highest interests of the profession and the public, and deserve the greatest commendation and support. I think sound judicial discretion demands that, without passing upon the question of power in the Court below, I should say that I will not interfere by this extraordinary remedy, believing that it is far better for the public that some temporary inconvenience and loss should be borne, even by a perfectly innocent individual, rather than the purposes so worthy should be at all thwarted by the action of this Court; especially when I can say, as I do to this relator, that I have confidence that when on a proper occasion his rights are presented to the Magistrates, they will be fully respected without the necessity of any interposition by this Court.

This Court should not issue for trifling reasons. A refusal to listen to the relator, in a single case, cannot alone be regarded as disbarring him, and therefore would not justify it. It might be a mere ebullition of temper, from which no human being is exempt, engendered, perhaps, by some temporary circumstance or feeling for which a writ of *mandamus* would be a very inappropriate remedy.

Even if the remarks attributed to the Justice were made by him, I am not at liberty to say that when the relator comes on some proper occasion when he has business entitling him to it, asks recognition of his license to practice, it will not be accorded to him. I have no right to presume that a Magistrate will not perform his duty, even though he may have heard the remarks attributed to him. Up to what his course would be, at a time when he was not called upon to act judicially. Until some act toward putting into execution the determination which the respondents are alleged to have expressed to exclude the relator from practice, has been done, I may presume that their duty will, under, and, if not, a proper sense of duty, to obey the law in respect to the language which they may have uttered. Until declaration from duty on the part of a Magistrate clearly and positively appears by something more extreme than mere words, which may be spoken to-day and disregarded to-morrow—something more practical than a mere declaratio of an intent as to the future, which may be forgotten now, and changed before the time to put it into execution arrives—something, in respect to a subject like the present, at least like, for instance, as I have already said, a determination to exclude the relator from practice, exhibited either by an order duly entered, or by persistent refusals in cases where the relator was retained, and appeared and claimed his rights, or by some act of the Justice manifesting such determination. I think no case for this extraordinary remedy is made. Motion denied.

Fires Yesterday.

At 11:45 o'clock last night a fire occurred in the large four-story brick building No. 459 Broome-street, on the corner of Mercer-street, occupied by LEOPOLD WAGNER, dealer in fancy furs, on the first floor; by W. G. VAN DER HORST, artificial flowers; PARMENTER & BROWNING, hatters; and by A. C. WEBSTER & Co., fur hats. The flames were speedily extinguished by the firemen, though considerable damage was occasioned to the stocks of the occupants. The actual losses, of course, could not be ascertained.

At 12:30 P. M. yesterday a fire occurred at No. 245 Third-avenue, caused by the burning of JULIUS MEYER catching fire by some coals being thrown from an upper story.

At 7:45 P. M. a fire took place at No. 280 First-avenue, caused by the explosion of a kerosene oil lamp, while being lighted. No damage.

At 8 P. M. another fire occurred at No. 301 Houston-street, caused by the explosion of a kerosene lamp. Damage trifling.

Fire at Trenton.

Messrs. HUTCHINSON & BROS'. saw-mill establishment, at the foot of Pease-street, in Trenton, N. J., was burned at midnight of Friday night. The loss amounted to $25,000, it is estimated, of which but $13,000 is said to have been insured. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

Coroners' Cases.

JOHN SHAY, aged 38, died suddenly on Friday evening at No. 79 Mulberry-street while visiting a friend. His remains were removed to his late residence, No. 38 Baxter-street, where Coroner KEENAN will hold an inquest.

Coroner KEENAN will hold an inquest to-day over the remains of an unknown woman, aged 24, who died suddenly yesterday in Essex Market Prison from the effects of intemperance, she having been arrested while grossly intoxicated.

Attempted Suicide by a Woman.

LIZZIE BENNETT, aged 23, residing at No. 93 Greene-street, attempted suicide yesterday afternoon by taking Paris green. A physician was called in, who saved her life by an emetic, after which she was removed to Bellevue Hospital.

New-Jersey.

The corner-stone of a new Presbyterian church on Claremont-avenue, in Bergen City, will be laid on Tuesday afternoon next, at 5:30 o'clock, with appropriate services, conducted by Rev. Mr. FRENCH, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Bergen City.

On and after to-morrow evening a ferry-boat will make half hourly trips between the Jersey City Ferry pier, at the foot of Montgomery-street, Jersey City, and the pier at the foot of Desbrosses-street, this City.

The rumors prevalent yesterday afternoon of the drowning, on Friday night, by the capsizing of a boat, of four persons, in the Hudson River, off Bull's Ferry, appear to be untrue. The arrival in Hoboken, yesterday afternoon, of the bodies of three parties, late residents of West Hoboken, who were drowned on Thursday last off Southampton beach, seems to have been the basis of the rumor.

The election for United States Senator, to succeed Senator CATTELL, which will take place in the Fall of 1870, is already beginning to excite the politicians. Governor RANDOLPH and Ex-Governor PARKER are prominently named for Democratic support. The Republicans will likely favor the reelection of CATTELL.

Drs. QUIMBY and HOFFMAN of Morristown, have been directed by Judge DALRYMPLE to examine Frank Brown, the Morris County murderer, to determine the state of his mind. The Judge has also ordered the impaneling of a jury for an investigation into the circumstances of the murder and the sanity of the murderer, on Tuesday next.

The Finance Committee of the Newark Board of Education report the expenditure of $66,900 97, leaving $38,366 10 available.

Death of a Prominent Citizen of Chicago.

From the Chicago Journal, July 29.

Last evening A. H. VAN BUREN, Esq., a prominent citizen of Chicago, and a well-known underwriter, while descending the steps of the Briggs House, stumbled and fell some ten feet, striking his head upon the stone step, causing a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain. When taken up he was entirely unconscious. He lay in an unconscious state for several hours, sinking gradually into a deep lethargic sleep, and again rallying for a brief interval and breathing regularly, though feebly, until 10:30, when he died.

The Chicago Board of Underwriters and the Catholic Library Association, of which bodies Mr. VAN BUREN was a prominent member, hold meetings this afternoon to pass resolutions of resp